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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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1	No. 5740	Tai Hang Road.	N. S. E. W.	As per sale plan.	About 3.500	\$16750

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) on Tuesday, the 19th December, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. BAGHAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1939.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

The Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children will be held in the Helena May Institute on Monday, December 11th at 5.30 p.m.

The Meeting is open to all persons interested in the work of the Society.

ANN CROZIER,
Hon. General Secretary.

A CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS PARTY

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B. W. O. F.

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Dance Band of 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) by kind permission of

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Prizes will be given for Fancy Dresses.

Tickets to be obtained at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel.

Children \$2.00. Adults \$1.00.

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Finnish generals study defence maps. Field Marshal Carl Mannerheim is shown at left. He's the Finnish commander-in-chief.

Day In A Maginot Line Fortress

ON THE FRENCH FRONT. A LUNCHEON party in the Maginot Line fort below ground, at which British journalists were entertained by the garrison of one of France's wonder fortresses, was the most original feature of my latest tour of the Front.

On this occasion a woman visited the inner works of the Maginot Line for the first time; she was a British Journalist.

With their usual gallantry, our French friends made her the heroine of the occasion.

She entered the Maginot Line as one of a party of working journalists eager to take her full share of the fatigues and possible dangers of a visit to the front.

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Nazis Tell Their Silliest Lie Yet

BERLIN wireless stations recently launched the most scurrilous attack against Mr. Winston Churchill that they have yet managed to invent.

At the beginning of the war, they said, the First Lord sold a large block of shipping shares. Then he "organised the sinking of the Athenia" so that the shares would fall and he could buy them back cheap.

"In this way," said the speaker, "War-monger No. 1, Winston Churchill, speculates on the Stock Exchange."

Here are the facts. You can work it out for yourself.

Prices of three typical shipping shares, before and after the sinking of the Athenia, taken on September 1, before the war, and on September 9, after the reopening of the Stock Exchange:

Share	Sept. 1	Sept. 9
Cunard-White Star 2s. 6d.	11s. 3d.	8s. 6d.
Court Lines	11s. 3d.	8s. 6d.
Lampport and Holt	11s. 3d.	8s. 6d.

Anyone who sold these before the sinking of the Athenia and then bought them in again must have lost heavily by the transaction.

Lie-monger No. 1 in Berlin will have to watch his market reports more carefully.

It will take more than his present ingenuity to prove that Mr. Churchill, or anyone else in England "organised" the sinking of the Athenia.

To Assist Students

With the two-fold purpose of cultivating the interest of Chinese students in the study of English and of supplying them with wholesome material for collateral reading, several professors of the Canton University have recently published a semi-monthly entitled English Dial, which made its first appearance on Tuesday.

The material of this publication is largely drawn from periodical literature and newspapers. It is thought that such up-to-date material not only helps the students with the contents of the world but also helps them to enlarge their vocabulary.

To further help them to develop a reading knowledge of English—a difficulty with which many a Chinese student is contented—the editors have taken great pains to render the English versions into Chinese with ample footnotes and explanations.

The contents of this magazine consist of selected readings in journalistic press, news items, feature articles, speeches and orations of the day, diplomatic documents, short stories, popular science, idiomatic expressions, and diagrams.

The paper is edited by Prof. W. H. Tam, Prof. H. S. So, Prof. B. C. Dai, Prof. P. L. Ho, and Prof. S. T. Tong. The publisher is Mr. S. W. Liang, manager of the New China Cultural Service, Kowloon.

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arrangement.**Chaos In Civilisation**THE depths of Impotence to
which member nations have dragged
the League of Nations is no better
exemplified than by the Russian
invasion of Finland. For Soviet
Russia this year was President of
the League of Nations—the highest
League post which any member-
nation could attain.But may not the fantastic situa-
tion which has arisen in the world,
where three groups of rival nations
are at war, lead to a revivification
of Geneva? It can be done—if the
world will only give Geneva the
chance to carry out its charter.World horror at the Red aggres-
sion against the tiny Finnish Re-
public is greater than that caused
by any act of aggression in the past.
The League still has many sup-
porters. Most of them are small
countries, boasting of no armaments
or war-like men a to check aggres-
sors. But unity is strength. The
unity of a dozen small countries can
smash, by economic means, any but
the strongest of the big Powers.Finland, indeed, has shown the
smaller countries what resistance to
aggression can accomplish. The
firm attitude adopted by that tiny
country, which fights a fore-doomed
battle, has aroused the admiration of
the peoples of democracies and
totalitarian alike. The Finns have
dug in their heels and let it be
known that in no circumstances will
they give way to unjustifiable
aggression.Their morale will be strengthened
by the vigorous support which is
coming from other small nations.
The Argentine's demand for a
League boycott of Russia is a step
in the right direction. Russia can
no more stand the concerted blockade
of the world's small countries—a
blockade which could be accomplish-
ed without navies or air forces—
than can Germany stand the blockade
imposed by the navies of France and
Great Britain.It is early to prophesy. Finland,
unhappily, will almost certainly be
overrun, for she lacks the man-
power of the Soviet. Whatever the
outcome of the Finnish adventure,
however, the country likely to suffer
most after Finland is Germany.
Russia is quite obviously consolidat-
ing her position in the Baltic *vis-a-vis*
Germany, and intends to be in a
position to resist any new Hitlerian
eastward impulse.The **FUEHRER**: Make that shell-burst look more real or I don't go on.
Hitler has again postponed his visit to the Western Front.**HITLER'S DILEMMA
UNDER PRESSURE****HITLER** to-day stands at the
supreme crisis of his
strange, meteoric career. On
his next decision hangs some-
thing not less important to him
than the future of Germany.
His own future and that of his
regime are at stake.By gross miscalculation and
bungling diplomacy he has faced
himself with Hobson's choice.
Either he must capitulate and
accept peace on such terms as
the world may impose or he
must fling the whole of his re-
sources into a single gigantic
effort to break the Allied re-
sistance.The hesitations of Berlin during
the past fortnight suggest that
the Nazi leaders are alive to all the
implications of their dilemma. Divided
council can be deduced from the
confusion and contradictions of the
statements which pour out of the
German Capital. How could it be
otherwise?It was the essence of the Hitler
plan for 1939 that the Eastern
objectives should be gained without
engaging Germany in war with the
Western Powers. Even at the mo-
ment it is conceivable that the arch-
strategist still clings to a belief that
the war can be stopped and his men-
gro gains conserved. But if such
hope persists it has by now become
very slender.We may recall, his oft-repeated
boast, "If they oppose me I shall
crush them." This probably pro-
vides the clue to Hitler's impulse
to-day. But does he retain un-
diminished his powers of absolute
control? When a country is at war
the influence of the fighting chiefs
is increased, and there are reports
that the German General Staff has
lost something of the confidence it
might have felt two months ago.Clearly the Service Departments
have developed a supreme contempt
for the Party's handling of German
diplomacy. It could hardly be
otherwise, for within two months
Hitler has succeeded in convert-
ing a situation of some promise
into one which must appear grimly
barren.At the end of July the Reich, on
paper, could count on support from
Italy and Spain, with Japan making
an effective diversion in the Far
East. Nor was it certain that other
European States, impressed by an
appearance of Axis superiority,
might not throw in their lot with the
Central Power. To-day Germany
stands alone, without one real
friend.The nightmare of the old German
General Staff is realised—Germany,
without allies, committed to war
against a coalition of unknown pro-
portions.**REALISING**, too late, that the
Western Powers would fight in
pursuit of their engagements, Rib-
bentrop was despatched to Moscow
to negotiate the terms for Soviet
neutrality. And it is the mark of
Germany's weakness and anxiety
that he should have paid so heavy
a price to Moscow.In Poland he has conceded to
Russia a good strategic frontier in
place of a bad one. Germany, on
the other hand, has been obliged to
assume responsibility for 20,250,000
bitterly hostile people leavened only
by some 750,000 persons with racial
affinities towards the new rulers.
In the Baltic the Nazi diplomats
have abandoned all hope of expan-
sion north of East Prussia and have
surrendered to Russia all the ports
north of Memel, which itself mayalso have to be handed back to
Lithuania.A few weeks before the outbreak
of war German admirals were ex-
plaining that the functions of the
German Fleet would be to maintain
undisputed supremacy in the Baltic.
To-day the Nazis have conceded
three-quarters of the Baltic to Rus-
sia and have entrusted to Russian
keeping the sea routes by which
Germany receives vital imports of
raw materials from Sweden and
Finland.Finally they have allowed Russia
to become the arbiter of the extent
to which they can pursue their
dream of domination over the Bal-
tians. No longer can the boast be
upheld that Germany will extend her
control to embrace all areas con-
taining German minorities. Instead,
at Russia's behest, those minorities
are being hurriedly recalled; forced
to abandon their homes and posses-
sions to start a new life in the
Reich.Thus Stalin achieves one more of
the objectives for which he strug-
gled during the long-drawn-out
negotiations this year with France

By Frank Robertson

ONE of the things that
people have missed in
England and France, and Ger-
many as well for that matter,
since the outbreak of war has
been the familiar voice of the
announcer reading out the
weather forecast.The reason is that in these days
when wars are fought as much in
the air as on land and sea, it is vital
that information about the weather
should be kept from the enemy.
Weather forecasts in modern war-
fare are valuable State secrets.This was not realised until the last
Great War, and it is said that the
meteorologist who volunteered to
help the British Expeditionary Force
in 1914 had his offer rejected by the
staff, who refused to take his propo-
sal seriously, and who asked him
whether he thought that the army
put up umbrellas whenever it
rained. After all perhaps General
Staffs were not so wise in the
opening days of the Great War as
were the generals of ancient Rome,
who never began a battle until their
augurs, the meteorologists of those
days, had carefully studied the
weather signs from the nearest hill.
They were wiser than they know—
for there are many instances of how
such blind forces as a sudden change
of wind or an unexpected fall of
rain, the premature arrival of
winter, an unusually sharp frost,
have helped to change the course of
history.**ONE** striking example of this
occurred in 1017 and resulted in
the smashing of the German Zepp-
pelin fleet, after which the enemy no
longer played any faith in these
divinables. On the night of October
10-20 thirteen zeppelins started for
England and five of them got over
London and dropped some bombs.
Then an unexpected depression de-
veloped over the Atlantic and light
winds drove them northward ones.
They were driven southward over
France and had to descend out of
the sky to discover their position. Five
were brought down and the flagship
captured intact.and Britain. He then spoke of the
dangers of "indirect aggression"
hinting that German minorities in
the Baltic States were preparing the
way for German operations aimed
against Russia. Britain and France
declined to give him a blank cheque
to act as he thought necessary to
guard against this danger. But, taking
a leaf from Hitler's book on technique,
Stalin has imposed his will on the
Baltic States and, in the same mo-
ment, has compelled Germany to re-
nounce all vestige of excuse for
"staging a come-back" later.**BY** establishing a common Russo-
German frontier, under the
superficial cover of friendly rela-
tions, Stalin has facilitated Ger-
man penetration of the Baltic
German territories. At the same
time he has allowed Hitler to con-
vert Germany into the second largest
Slav State in Europe. To remove
the obvious dangers thus created for
Germany Hitler will have to resort
to a population transfer on a hitherto
unprecedented scale.

Reverses have thus been imposed

on a weak Germany by Russia, be-
cause Germany is at war and is not
Germany, in fact, by her attack on
Poland, has enabled Stalin to re-
build the Imperial Russia of the
Tsars without the loss of a single
man or the firing of a shot.Writing on this page a few days
ago, Mr. H. C. Bailey examined the
potential material aid which Russia
could give to Germany, and con-
cluded that, in the immediate future,
this would be of little value. None
the less, there are those who hold
that "Russia does not wish to see
Germany collapse before the Allies
and, with this in mind, may render
her such help as is possible.Conversely, a victorious Ger-
many, if not too weakened in the
struggle, might again face East to
redress the disadvantages she has
suffered at Russia's hands.
It is probably a safe assumption,
therefore, that the policy of the
Kremlin will be to let the extent of
its aid, or intervention, be condi-
tioned by the actual course of hos-
tilities. Here, then, is another
PLEASE Turn To Page 3.**WINTERS THAT CHANGED
DESTINIES OF NATIONS**Weather forecasts are also valu-
able in land warfare, since an offe-
nse like that of the Passchendaele,
carried out in bad weather will un-
doubtedly fail. That make has come
to be one of ill-omen, for the water
logged land of Flanders made rapid
movement almost impossible.
On the other hand the Germans were
more fortunate, about six months
later, for a mist covered their attack
in March, 1918, enabling them to
effect a surprise, and the Allies were
driven back for a considerable dis-
tance.**A STRIKING** instance of the part
played by frost in the history of
the world is seen in the French re-
volutionary war against Holland in
the winter of 1794-95, which was
very severe. The Dutch had hoped
that their fleet would make the po-
sition of the invader intolerable, but
nature took a hand. The French
General was able to march his troops
across the frozen rivers Maas and
Waal, and it captured the whole of
the Dutch navy lying in the harbour.
His decision to make the attempt,
to a large extent, was influenced by
the famous weather forecast of
Disdonval, who during his long im-
prisonment in Utrecht, had studied
the spiders, and had found that they
were excellent weather-prophets.Weather played a decisive part in
Napoleon's defeat in Russia, although
he consulted in meteorologists in-
stead of spiders. The French leader
planned his march upon detailed
information given him regarding the
climate of Russia. Unfortunately the
climate was more severe than usual,
and was more sudden than usual,
which turned the roads into marshes and
melted the ice, and the whole of
Napoleon's great army melted away
too at the hands of Nature and the
Russian raiders.**THE Dardanelles** campaign in 1915
provided another instance of
weather playing a large part in a
campaign at sea. It is said that this
was the worst blow the weather dealt
the Allies during the last Great War,
for the British warships tried to force the
straits and the move almost suc-ceeded, when a four day gale set in
and the ships were forced to run for
the open sea. This ruined all
chances of surprise and gave the
Turks a chance to strengthen their
fortifications. After landings had
been effected bad weather still dogged
the Allied troops, and terrible
weather followed, followed by a ter-
rible cold and a blizzard that raged
for three days. Incapacitated 3,000
men. Evacuation was imperative,
and this was carried out safely.
Hardly had the last foothold been
relinquished than a fierce gale broke.
Thus, at the end, the weather was
kind, for had this gale taken place
during embarkation losses would
have been heavy.These examples prove how much
weather affects campaigns on sea, in
the air, and on land. Therefore,
every effort is made to keep the
weather conditions over a war-
country a secret. In the case of Germany
and Great Britain this is not so how-
ever. England is more fully in-
formed about the weather over Ger-
many than the Germans are about
that over England. The reason is
that the greater part of English
weather comes from the Atlantic
and it moves from France and Brit-
tain across Germany.**EVERY** day hundreds of reports
are received from all over the
northern hemisphere, and from ships
in the Atlantic, which enable
meteorologists to forecast British and
French weather. Similarly these
reports help the British to get cor-
rect forecasts of the weather over
Germany. Weather experts in Ger-
many are unable to get forecasts of
weather over the British Isles and
they try to make up for this de-
ficiency by using radio messages
from ships at sea and from Neutral
countries. From 1914-18 Norwegian
meteorologists worked out some
principles of weather forecasting
which they used when debarricaded
from using ordinary reports. But
they are not nearly accurate for the
needs of the fighting states.
Weather, therefore, plays almost
as great a part in winning wars as
does economic power, morale, and
of course armies and navies and air
forces.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Freedom Proposed For Minorities

BUCHAREST, Dec. 6 (UP).—The Cabinet Council has decided that Parliament reconvene on December 11 for a series of new laws to be introduced, including the application of the five-year plan for industry and, more especially, agriculture, and also providing for new freedom for the minorities.

Blockade Issue

JAPAN IS CONFIDENT

Tokyo, Dec. 6. A statement by Mr. Suma, the Foreign Office spokesman, to the effect that "such a measure violates all the known rights of neutrals and inflicts severe losses to them" is today printed by the *Miyako Shimbun* in connection with the enforcement of the British Order-in-Council authorising seizure of German exports in neutral ships on the high seas.

"Should Japanese ships in Europe suffer any losses we are determined to take definite action to cope with the situation in accordance with international law," Mr. Suma is quoted as having said.

"Replying to our protest," the newspaper proceeds, "Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said they would do their best in handling German exports destined for Japan. That is because Britain is afraid of Japan's determination. Do you ask why? It is because Britain and France have considerable interests in the Orient, including Hongkong and Singapore, and if Britain and France clash with Japan they will be like a chess move that is easily broken. What great losses they will suffer can easily be supposed."

"Moreover," continues the *Miyako Shimbun*, "adjustment of relations between Britain and Japan, for which Britain is now working hard, would come to naught. Britain would have everything to lose and nothing to gain by Japan. It is concerned in enforcing the Order-in-Council."

"At any rate," the journal concludes in quoting Mr. Suma, "I am confident that our national policy will serve to cause Britain and France to reconsider their attitude."

—*Reuter*.

Negotiations Proceeding

Tokyo, Dec. 6. Asked about the conversation between Ambassador Shigemitsu and Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, in London on Monday, the Foreign Office spokesman said that according to an official report from London the British Government was paying "the greatest consideration" to the Japanese representations.

Queried whether Britain was according to the Japanese requests, the spokesman refused to reply. There were at present four Japanese steamers in European waters carrying German goods for Japan, three of them clearing Rotterdam between November 4 and December 20 and one was sailing from London, —*Domei*.

Alleges Mis-reporting

Tokyo, Dec. 6. Questioned regarding the *Miyako Shimbun* story at this morning's Press conference, Mr. Suma said he returned from a party very late and found Press reporters and cameramen at his residence.

A reporter asked many questions on Britain's decision to seize German exports found on neutral ships. Mr. Suma said he fully explained the Order-in-Council to the reporter and expressed the hope that Britain and France would share Japan's belief in the importance of the issue.

Mr. Suma added that the reporter had unduly embellished his remarks. Asked whether he was taking steps to correct the alleged misrepresentation, Mr. Suma replied that the matter was not sufficiently serious to require correction. —*Reuter*.

LETTERS

FIRE-TRAPS

To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir, I read with great interest your editorial in your issue of the 5th instant concerning the disastrous fire in Shanghai Street on Sunday night and quite agree with your remarks.

Government ought to introduce immediately emergency legislation to improve or to pull down the old type of Chinese tenement houses of three or four-stories high, both in Hongkong and Kowloon. In order to prevent a repetition of such a catastrophe—one with such an appalling loss of life (fifty-three dead and twenty-two seriously injured) now lying critically in the Kowloon Hospital, according to the report of your issue to-day—and one which must have struck horror as well as sympathy to the core of every human being.

H. F. K.

Western Front

Nazis Bring Up Reinforcements: Raids Repulsed

Paris, Dec. 6.

A communique issued to-day states that the enemy undertook sudden attacks, all of which failed.

French military commentators reveal that the Germans began a series of repeated attacks in the Moselle sector generally, near Wissembourg. The first attack was at 8 a.m. on Sunday, the second yesterday morning and two last night, in which numerous small patrols worked separately.

The French regard the movements as part of an attempt to gain information on the entire front about the nature of the attacks. Several German patrols were seen and the French captured one of them. The French were convinced that it is impossible to make any mistake.

One of the most serious attacks was made on the French advanced positions in the Moselle sector. The French 105th went into action.

An impression has been created by the new German batteries that more experienced men are entering the line and therefore the French prefer to wait and spot all the new material before a serious counter-attack.

Air activity was generally quiet, but a series of observation raids by the German bombers continued to a range of 50 kilometres behind the French front in an attempt to check the French battle strength and positions.

Numerous German squadrons also paid attention to the Belgian frontier, flying over Belgian territory at a high altitude.

The French carried out deep reconnaissance flights over German territory.

There were no air battles. Most of the German raids were carried out early on dark nights when the artillery was unable to break up the attacks. The bulk of which were borne by the French advance units with automatic rifles and grenades.

The French continue to react to the slightest enemy move at any point. It is believed that more German troops are slowly filtering into the lines, which appear to have been considerably reinforced between Wehrucken and Lauterbourg following the deep French reconnaissance in the Vooges wooded region. —*United Press*.

Attempting To Get Information
Paris, Dec. 6. The Germans made a series of raids in the past 24 hours at six different points on a stretch of the Lorraine front. All raids were repulsed and in two points the Germans suffered definite losses, leaving dead behind them.

It is clear that the Germans are trying to verify the Allied battle order by making raids along the whole front in the hope of taking prisoners, but they have not captured a single man. —*Reuter*.

Enemy Activity Reported

London, Dec. 6. The Air Ministry announces that there was some enemy aircraft activity last night off the east coast. Fighter aircraft were sent up. The weather was bad and no contact was made.

Referring to the wreckage of a German aircraft on the coast, the Air Ministry says that it is presumed to have been engaged in mine laying operations. —*Reuter*.

Reich Plane Crashes

London, Dec. 6. A bi-motored German monoplane has crashed in the sea. It is believed that the machine got out of control over Sheringham, Norfolkshire, early in the morning.

The body of a German airman has been washed ashore and the wreckage has been cast on the beach. There was no air raid warning or anti-aircraft fire and no British fighters were seen. —*United Press*.

Nazi Veterans

Berlin, Dec. 5. The Socialist Party Correspondence reveals that all World War veterans, of whom 100,000 were conscripted at the beginning of the Polish campaign, are now being being replaced by younger conscripts. —*United Press*.

All Over Forty

Copenhagen, Dec. 6. All German soldiers aged 40 and over are to be demobilised and younger men called up to replace them, says the Berlin correspondent of the *National Tidende*. —*Reuter*.

Firecrackers Banned

Berlin, Dec. 5. The open display of firecrackers within the Reich is prohibited. Penalties for disobedience range from a fine of 150 marks to six months imprisonment. —*United Press*.

Hugenberg Escape To Switzerland

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Alfred Hugenberg, the German industrial magnate, has fled into Switzerland, according to a radio announcement.

REDS DEMANDING ESTONIAN AID?

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have thrown the Seventh Army, under General Mereskov, into the region comprising Karelian Isthmus and Lake Ladoga.

The Seventh Army consists of seven infantry and four tank divisions. Over half of this army is believed to be in the Karelian area, where a series of spear-thrusts were made into the Finnish advanced defences with the intention of reaching the railway line starting at Oulu, in the Finnish Gulf, and running south-east towards the Russian frontier.

Eighty thousand Russians and 40,000 Finns are said to be fighting in the Karelian Isthmus.

Finns Claim A Million Army
The Finnish Army numbers nearly 500,000, and it is stated, includes several Russian commissars who fought in the civil war of 1917.

Russian troops are reported to be poorly shod, wearing rubber gaiters instead of boots, which are uncomfortable for marching.

The evacuation of towns continues. Only a few residents remain at Helsinki.

Many Air Raid Casualties

A journalist today visited a hospital 20 miles from Helsinki and saw the victims of air-raids.

There were some hundred adults and 25 children.

Many of the children were terribly injured.

It is reported that the Swedish armaments firm of Bofors is passing on to Finland 25 anti-aircraft guns which were ordered by the Polish Government but could not be delivered in time.

Three spies, alleged to have been discovered sending radio messages to Moscow, were shot to-day.

Attacks Held

HELSINKI, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Soviet attacks are being held on all fronts.

During the past few days, over 60 Soviet tanks have been destroyed on the Finnish front. The Finns have been put out of action on the front north of Lake Ladoga, where fierce fighting is taking place in heavy snow.

On the Arctic front, the Finns are holding up the advance of the Russians, who are being constantly reinforced.

Moscow's Denial

MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio denies the Finnish claims, but makes no claim on behalf of the Soviets.

It is announced that Leningrad's anti-aircraft guns have been in action against Finnish planes.

40 Red Tanks Destroyed
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Eight more Russian tanks were destroyed in the Karelian Isthmus to-day, says a Finnish communique.

This makes the total 80 destroyed in this region since hostilities began. Two big enemy planes were shot down north of Lake Ladoga.

Soviets Deny Losses

MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The headquarters of the Leningrad military area deny the report that 60 Soviet planes were destroyed in a Finnish air-raid on Murmansk.

They state that no raids were carried out by two Finnish or any other air force in the Murmansk area.

Yachting

Sweepstake Race Won By True Blue
The results of yesterday's sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club over a distance of 8-3 miles were:

True Blue (Capt. G. E. Archer) D.N.F.
Penelope (S. Berg) D.N.F.
Eve (Major G. Archer) D.N.F.
Irobel (Capt. G. E. Archer) D.N.F.
Gull (A. G. G. Mills) D.N.F.
La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnston) D.N.F.

Dempsey's "Bodyguard"

MONTA, Dec. 6. —Vernon's Umaging has been chosen by the promoters the "bodyguard" of Jack Dempsey, who is en route to Manila by Clipper to referee the Gervais-Lyon bout on December 10.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY LEAVES THE COLONY

On his way to take up a new appointment with the Colonial Office, Mr. Sydney Calne, who has acted as Financial Secretary in the Colony since July, 1937, left for England by the Imperial Airways plane Delphinus yesterday.

Mr. Calne was appointed under a new system, being the Colony's first Financial Secretary. The old position of Colonial Treasurer was superseded by that of Financial Secretary, whose power and scope of work are considerably larger than was the case in the days of Colonial Treasurers.

Mr. Calne had a brilliant career in Government Service. Born in 1902 he obtained a B.Sc. with first class honours in Economics. By competitive examination he won the position of assistant Inspector of Taxes in the Inland Revenue Department and in a similar manner won the position in 1926 of assistant principal at the Colonial Office. He has visited the West Indies and British Guiana as Secretary of the West India Sugar Commission.

Mr. Calne's successor is Mr. H. B. Butler, who has acted as Labour Officer since November last year.

Mr. Butler has served 17 years in the Colony, arriving here as a Cadet in 1922. He is a Barrister-at-law having been called to Gray's Inn, and he holds the degree of M.A. He was born in 1898.

Chinese Casualties

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6. Forty thousand Chinese civilian casualties, including 20,000 killed, are the result of Japanese air raids in 16 provinces in China during seven months between January and July this year, according to figures released by the Chinese Aeronautical Affairs Commission.

During the period Japanese aircraft made 1,276 raids and dropped 32,000 bombs.

A total of 64,000 houses are said to have been destroyed, 6,000 others damaged and 380 junks destroyed.

The heaviest casualties occurred in May as the result of Japanese bombing on Chungking, wartime capital. On May 3 and 4, it is estimated that 14,000 people were killed or wounded in May. According to a report issued by the Chinese National Relief Commission casualties in the bombing of Chungking on May 4 alone were 4,572 killed and 3,687 wounded.

On May 2, 1,000 houses were demolished by bombs.

Kwangtung is said to be the most severely bombed of all the provinces. During the seven-month period it suffered 311 raids. —*Reuter*.

NAZIS BEATEN ON HIGH SEAS

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watch-word should be "Carry on and dread naught."

"Asdic" U-Boat Detection
Mr. Churchill added that the efficacy of the Asdic method of detection was increasingly proved and the ocean to which U-boats was subjected would become ever more severe.

The convoy system was now in full operation. Very few ships were attacked in convoy, and less than one in 750 was sunk.

Convoys involved a certain definite loss of carrying power, but this loss was being steadily reduced by the introduction of slow and fast convoys and other appropriate measures, but a certain delay must always remain.

U-boats preferred increasing their attack on the ships of countries with whom they were at peace rather than those with whom they were at war.

Remarkable Figures

The figures were remarkable. British merchant ships lost in October were half what they were in September, and in November they were only two-thirds of what they were in October.

Quite the contrary had been the case with neutrals.

They had lost half as much again in the second month as in the first and double as much in the third month as in the second.

It was a strange kind of warfare in which the German Navy were engaged.

When driven off the shipping of their declared enemy, they consorted themselves by running amok among the shipping of neutrals.

This should encourage neutrals to charter their ships to Great Britain for the duration, when they could be sure of making larger profits than they had even made in peace, and in addition had a complete guarantee against loss.

Lowest Form Of Warfare

Referring to mines, Mr. Churchill said that it was about the lowest form of warfare that could be imagined.

It was warfare of the Irish Republican Army type of leaving bomb parcels in an office at a railway station.

The magnetic mine might perhaps be Hitler's much-vaunted secret weapon.

Hitler Visits An Old Warrior

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Hitler and General Walther von Brauchitsch, Commander-in-Chief of the German Army, paid visits to-day to General von Mackensen on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

The old general is best known for his smashing defeat of the Russian army in 1918.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Swedish Prime Minister has confirmed that discussions are proceeding for the formation of a Cabinet on a broader basis.

SYMPATHY FOR THE FINNS

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for Finland came in the Danish Parliament to-day.

When the Danish Communist leader rose to speak, members of all other parties, both right and left, got up and walked out, leaving him to address two men—his fellow Communists.

When the session resumed, a member asked whether it was not high time that Denmark broke off relations with Russia.

Violent Demonstrations
ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Italian students held another anti-Soviet demonstration to-day.

Italian newspapers gave prominence to Lord Halifax's statement in the House of Lords in which he emphasised the Nazis' responsibility for the Soviet aggression on Finland.

Helsingfors Celebrates
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (UP).—The capital quietly celebrated the anniversary of independence.

The Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, gave a reception for President Kaarlo and the foreign diplomats.

M. Kaarlo said that the greatest accomplishment in 21 years of independence was the achievement of national unity.

The morale of the Finns is high and confidence is increasing.

IMPRESSED BY WAR EFFORT

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Colonel Denys Reitz, the South African representative to the Empire talks in London, is flying home.

Before he left, he said that he had been very impressed by the Allied war effort, and by all he had seen and heard.

He praised the co-operation between the Dominions and the Mother country.

DANISH STEAMER SUNK: SIX DEAD

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Danish steamer, *Ovetof*, 3,500 tons, was mined in the North Sea on Sunday.

Six were drowned and the remaining 15 of the crew were picked up.

Australia To Make More Motor Cars

CANBERRA, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Australian Government has decided to encourage the manufacture of motor cars.

Bounties on the first 60,000 cars produced in the Commonwealth will be paid.

Australian Air Minister's Flight

BRISBANE, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Australian Air Minister has left for England in a specially-chartered flying boat.

He has recently been in Canada.

Opposition Motion Is Defeated

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Opposition amendment in the reply to the Royal Address was defeated in the House to-day by 303 to 125.

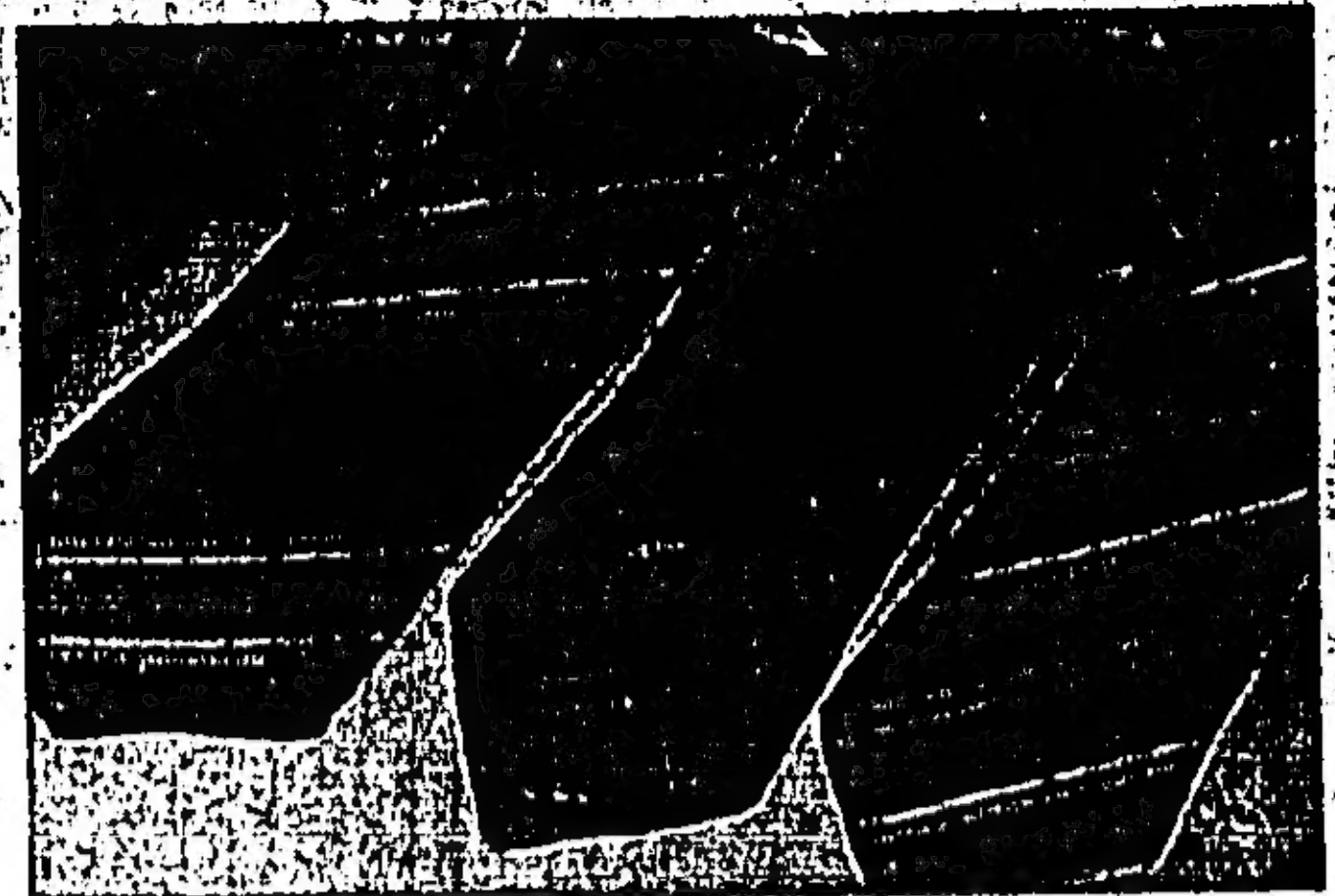
KOWLOON GOLF CLUB COMPETITIONS

The 36 holes golf medal competition on Sunday, was won by A. J. Dennis, the runner-up being A. E. Davies.

The following qualified for the Club Championship, the first round of which must be played by December 17: W. A. Stewart v. C. G. Anderson, A. Eastman v. S. J. J. J. C. Fincher v. W. V. Ahern, A. E. Davies v. W. C. Simpson, E. F. Fincher v. F. C. Barry, T. Lamb v. W. S. Hillier, R. K. Collings v. A. J. Dennis, A. A. Lopez (bye into second round).

SOCIAL EVENING

A social evening will be held at the Police Recreation Club, Happy Valley, on Friday, December 13, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Admission is 5s, including drink refreshments. Proceeds are in aid of charity.



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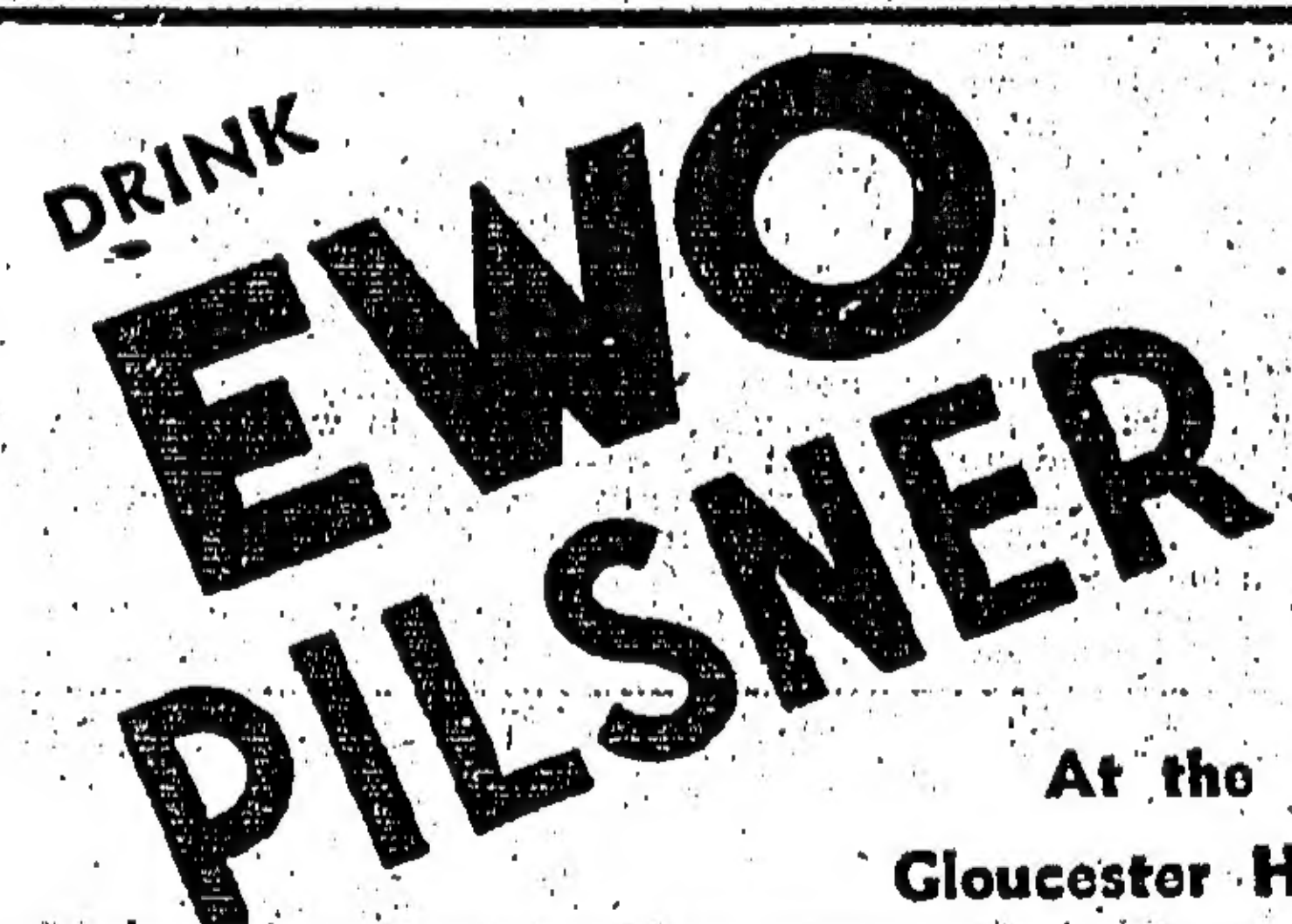
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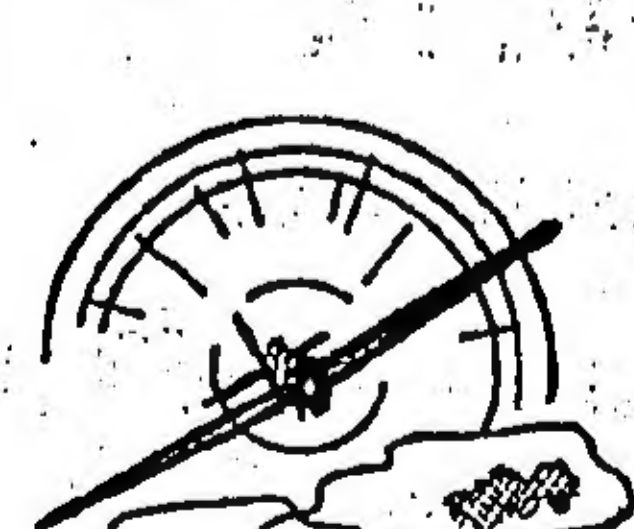
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

H.K. LADIES OUTPLAY RECREIO

Promising Start By Radio: C.B.A. Possess A Fine Team

HONGKONG LADIES obtained their first victory in the Caor Clark Cup last Saturday, defeating the Recreio Ladies 2-0 at King's Park. In the second half of the game the Island team outplayed their opponents and played themselves into position of complete mastery. It was, however, through their two wingers that the visitors were successful.

Miss Murray, on the right wing, was much too clever for the Recreio defenders, and Miss Purves at the other end made headway with the ball in much the faster way than any other forward on the field.

Miss Purves added the second goal after a brilliant solo effort, and it was from one of her centres that Mrs. Dalziel opened the scoring. Miss Baskett saved finely on two occasions, and Miss Gray and Miss Stratton, the backs, carried each other splendidly with inspired confidence.

RECREIO's forwards often combined well and had they utilised all their chances they would have obtained a point. Miss F. Figueiredo and Miss B. Remedios worked well together but their shooting was poor. The attack in general helped towards their own downfall by persisting in attempts to dribble the ball and to carry out close attacks. These were very bad tactics and they could not hope to penetrate the Hongkong Ladies' defence in that way. The defence, however, showed up very well indeed. Miss Z. Barros in goal was sound with her clearances, and Mrs. M. Silva was the better full-back. But Miss P. Goncalves, in centre-half, took the day's honours. What the Recreio's forwards need is a good deal of hard hitting practice.

RADIO and Postal Sports Club commenced the Tournament in grand style when at Caroline Hill last Friday they accounted for a strong Police XI by 2-1 this being the best game in the series so far. Then again on their home ground on Sunday morning they trounced the Royal Signals, after about five minutes, Radio took control of the game and goals came at regular intervals through G. Singh, P. Pinto and Awtur Singh.

K. Singh, the youthful schoolboy player, formed an excellent combination with G. Singh on the right flank and J. M. Pinto was a constructive inside left. The whole of the defence gave the impression of taking things too easily; before stronger teams they will certainly have to put more snap into their game. The Caroline Hill ground is now in good condition and it would not be long before the champions will jump into their true form once again.

THERE was no good hockey shown by the Signals, the passing was disjointed and uneven, but the defence showed up more prominently in the latter half when Trustcott in goal made some brilliant saves. Gorman worked very hard at centre-half and Husband, who led the at-

tack with vigour, was rewarded with the only goal for his side. It was a one-sided match, and the visitors' defence were much overworked.

IN THE afternoon on the Police Training School ground, K.I.T.C. defeated Nomads in a Tournament game, 2-0. M. R. Malik was ten minutes late but when he got going he scored both goals and was always a menace to the Nomads' defence.

The half-back line with Mohinder Singh, Kishan Singh and Bugh Singh, combined very effectively and made many fine openings for their forwards. Kalwant Singh at right-back made some lefty clearances, and C. Pinto at inside-right showed distinct promise — with more experience he should develop into a very useful player. It was a fast and keen struggle and the better team won.

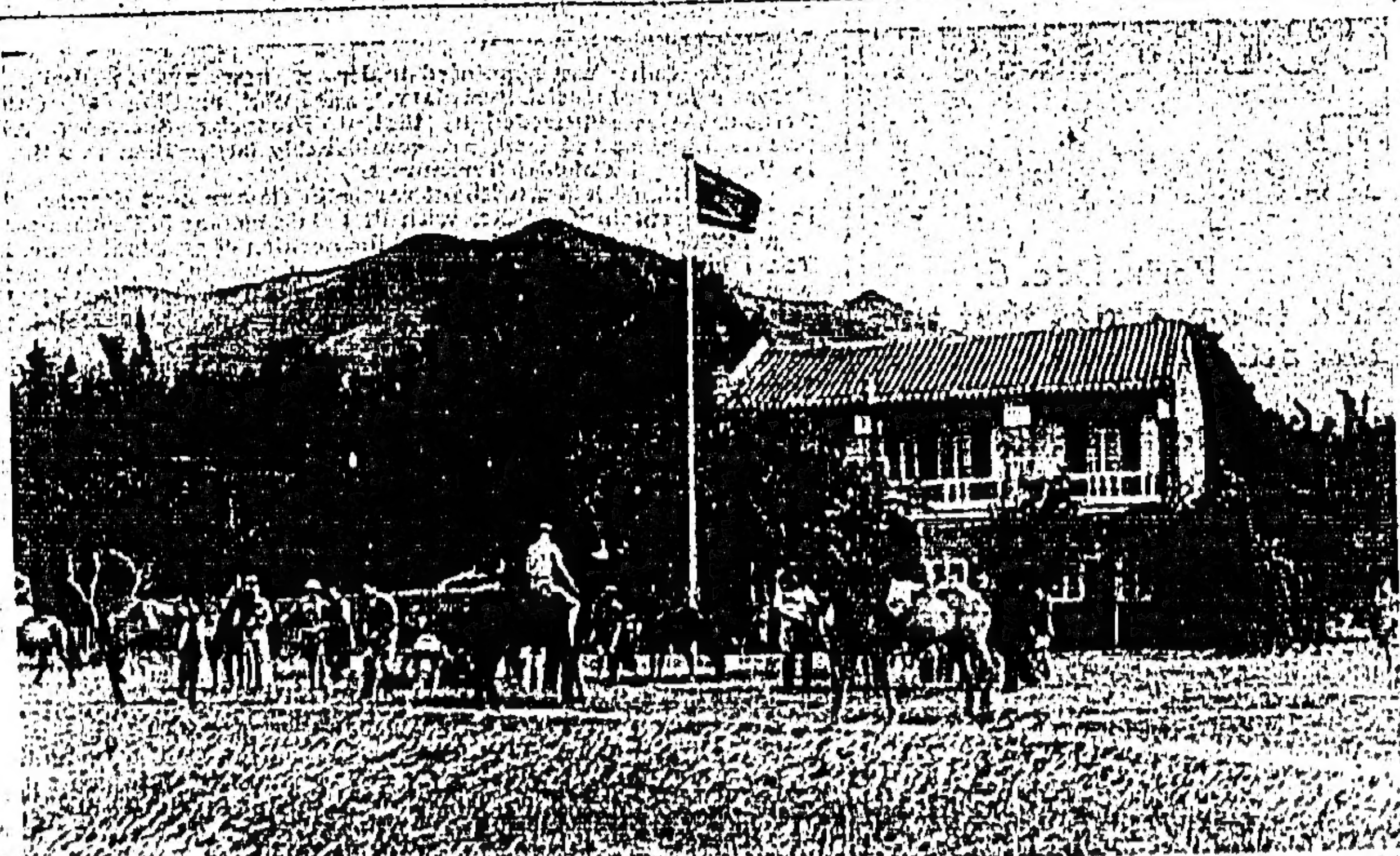
NOMADS took the field without the services of S. A. Reed, their centre-forward, who is on the sick list. H. Franco led the attack and H. Gubbay was seen at inside left. In the first twenty minutes Nomads might have opened the scoring but could not finish off their attacks. R. Silva and B. Xavier were either off-side or too slow with their centres. The forwards in general could make little progress due to a fast ground, and their defence on the other hand were hard pressed and kept busy throughout the second half.

H. Soares and R. Xavier, the backs, were very much below form, hence the halves were called upon to do more work than expected. R. J. Reed and L. Souza, however, gave fine display. Apart from the opening stages of the game, the Nomads never looked like scoring.

THE C.B.A. last Sunday commenced their first Tournament fixture with a brilliant 6-0 victory over Recreio. The welcome return of George Fowler to the attack worked wonders, but full credit goes to the defence where Norman Whitley, at centre-half, played a great game. He attacked and defended strongly.

V. Bond, at back, also gave a bright display. Young Teddy Lockhart in goal was brilliant in his participation, and on last Sunday's form alone, is worthy of an Interport trial. There is no doubt the C.B.A. possess a fine team which should end somewhere on top of the table.

RECREIO fielded their best XI with the inclusion of B. Gossno, who



An enjoyable time was spent by members of the Cottage Club and their friends on Sunday, November 20, when a Paper Hunt was held. Picture shows those who took part getting ready for the start. The Club-house can be seen in the background.

Rugby Football

ENGINEERS BEAT CLUB "A"

Cambridge Beaten By Oxford In Rugby

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Five thousand spectators watched Oxford beat Cambridge by 15 points to 3 in the annual Inter-Varsity Rugby match, which was played outside London for the first time since 1872.

Owing to the war, the match was unofficial and no Blues were awarded, but play was keen. Cambridge were relentless in their tackling in the early stages, but Oxford's clever and speedy backs gradually asserted their supremacy. At half-time, Oxford led by seven points to nil.

has just arrived from Swatow. The attack did their best but could not make any impression on the strong C.B.A. defence. As I have said before, the Recs need good inside scoring forwards—then and only then are they certain of victory. Play was fast and interesting and the game was by no means one-sided as the score might suggest.

IT was rather unfortunate that a game in the Ladies' Junior League should have been called off last Saturday due to the non-appearance of the umpires.

This might prove an interesting case for the Umpires' Association to investigate. The umpires were not nominated by the Association, but they agreed to referee the game, and an explanation by them should be made to the Association. Should they be affiliated to the Association, it is up to the powers-that-be to deal with them accordingly.

LAST Tuesday in a practice game on the Club ground, the Combined Services defeated the Middlesex Regiment, 2-1. Mrs. (right-back) and Hook (centre-half) were absent, their positions being filled by Gunnar and Austen.

The only two players to attract attention were Partab and Nerrin Singh, the Interport left-wing combination. The Services will have to give a better account of themselves if they hope to beat the Civilians next Sunday.

The final selection of the Civilian team will be made following the monthly Council meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association, which takes place at St. Andrew's Church Hall at 6 p.m. 18-day.

Final arrangements to be staged next Sunday in aid of the B.W.O.F. will be discussed. The programme starts at 2 p.m. with the Band of the Kumaon Rifles, and at 2.30 p.m. the Mainland and Island Ladies will take the field, followed by the Combined Services v. Civilians game.

The public are requested to book their seats early, as there is a great demand for sitting accommodation at the moment. Prices are at \$1 per seat and 50 cents for standing room. It is going to be a treat for hockey enthusiasts, so book early and support the B.W.O.F. I shall comment on the prospects of the teams next Saturday.

Sterling Display By Military Forwards

(By "Fly-half")

On the Club ground yesterday, the Royal Engineers, assisted by 2nd/Lieut. Cuthbertson, defeated a Club "A" XV, which was back-boned by a few Club 1st XV players in Walkden, Bidwell, Needham, Godfrey, Richardson and Salter, by two goals and a try (13 points) to two tries (6 points).

The feature of the game was the grand display by the Engineers' forwards who generally carried on a forward foot rush for considerable distances. Cuthbertson, Brinkley, Pike and Apperly were prominent in these rushes.

Club played Bidwell at scrum-half and young Thomson at stand-off half. The latter was very reliable and passed out well to his three backs on his own on one or two occasions. Day and Laywell were the Club's best three-quarters. Richardson showed initiative in coming into movements from the blind side. Salter, Needham and Heasman were prominent in the Club pack.

Pickett was the Engineers' most dangerous wing-three. He was very successful with his touch kicking to relieve pressure. Waite did a lot of hard work amongst the three, both in attack and defence.

The Engineers scored tries through Pickett, Pike and Cuthbertson. Pike converted the first two.

Needham and Thomson scored unconverted tries for Club. Royal Engineers—Lt. Otway; Spr. Arlingstall; Spr. Jones; Spr. Martin; Spr. Pickett; Cpl. Waite and Spr. Foley; Spr. Apperly; Spr. Pike; Spr. Euzan; Spr. Brinkley; Spr. Davis; Spr. Sheildrake; Spr. Howarth and Lt. Cuthbertson. Club "A"—A. F. Walkden; W. B. Richardson; J. G. Day; R. M. Laywell and Grattan; J. M. Thomson and D. Bidwell; W. Stoker; K. W. Salter; F. Burford; R. E. Heasman; C. F. Needham; G. E. Godfrey; L. A. Benn and Roscoe.

Kai Tak 3 Middlesex Nil

Kai Tak just got the measure of the Middlesex Regiment by a single try (3 points) to nil.

The Almeries fielded Henderson, the regular Club player, as a newcomer to their team. He played a steady game without being brilliant. Another experiment was the playing of Hynes, a forward, at wing-three, well without shining. Tarry as an inside forward showed more knowledge of the game but still has to learn that he had to wait for it. Bright was a bit selfish in his attempts to cut in and might have done better if he had passed out to Hynes. At forward, the Almeries were best served by Taylor, Burnett and Gash in the line-outs.

Lewis at inside three, scored Kai Tak's try by a clever run.

Lawn Bowls

Governor's Team Lose To K.F.C.

Entertained at the Government House yesterday, a team from the Kowloon Football Club beat His Excellency the Governor's team by 64 shots to 55.

Dr. Allenza, C. Mannors, T. Ferguson, and B. D. Evans (K.F.C.)

Tennis

First Round Of Women's Doubles

In the first round of the Women's Doubles championship played at the U.S.B.C. yesterday, Mrs. O. Burnett and Mrs. V. Bradbury defeated Mrs. F. C. Tracey and Mrs. Webb 8-6, 6-4. Some very good tennis was witnessed, rallies being long and exciting. The match later developed into a baseline duel in which steadiness and consistency eventually triumphed.

Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury took some time to get settled down and played remarkably well after being 5-3 down in the first set to win at 8-6.

Miss Bradbury was the steadiest of the four and took full advantage of her remarkable lobbing. She was ably supported by Mrs. Burnett, whose chief weapon was the backhand. Mrs. Webb was the only player to storm the net occasionally for a full-blooded volley-drive, while her powerful, forehand rasped a harvest of points. Mrs. Tracey served inconsistently throughout and was shaky at mid-court, though she improved somewhat as the game progressed.

Badminton

KOWLOON TONG SURPRISE ST. ANDREW'S

Three matches in the "B" division were played last night. Kowloon Tong caused a surprise by beating St. Andrew's 6-3; St. Teresa's lost to King's College by a similar margin, and St. John's were victorious over Kowloon C.C. also by 6-3. Scores:

K.C.C. v. ST. JOHN'S

P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher, (K.C.C.) beat F. H. Kwok and B. C. Heavan 23-21; beat D. Kwok and R. Maynard 21-13; beat P. Wilson and N. L. Smith 21-16.

Kew and Merritt (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Beavan 6-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 8-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 12-21.

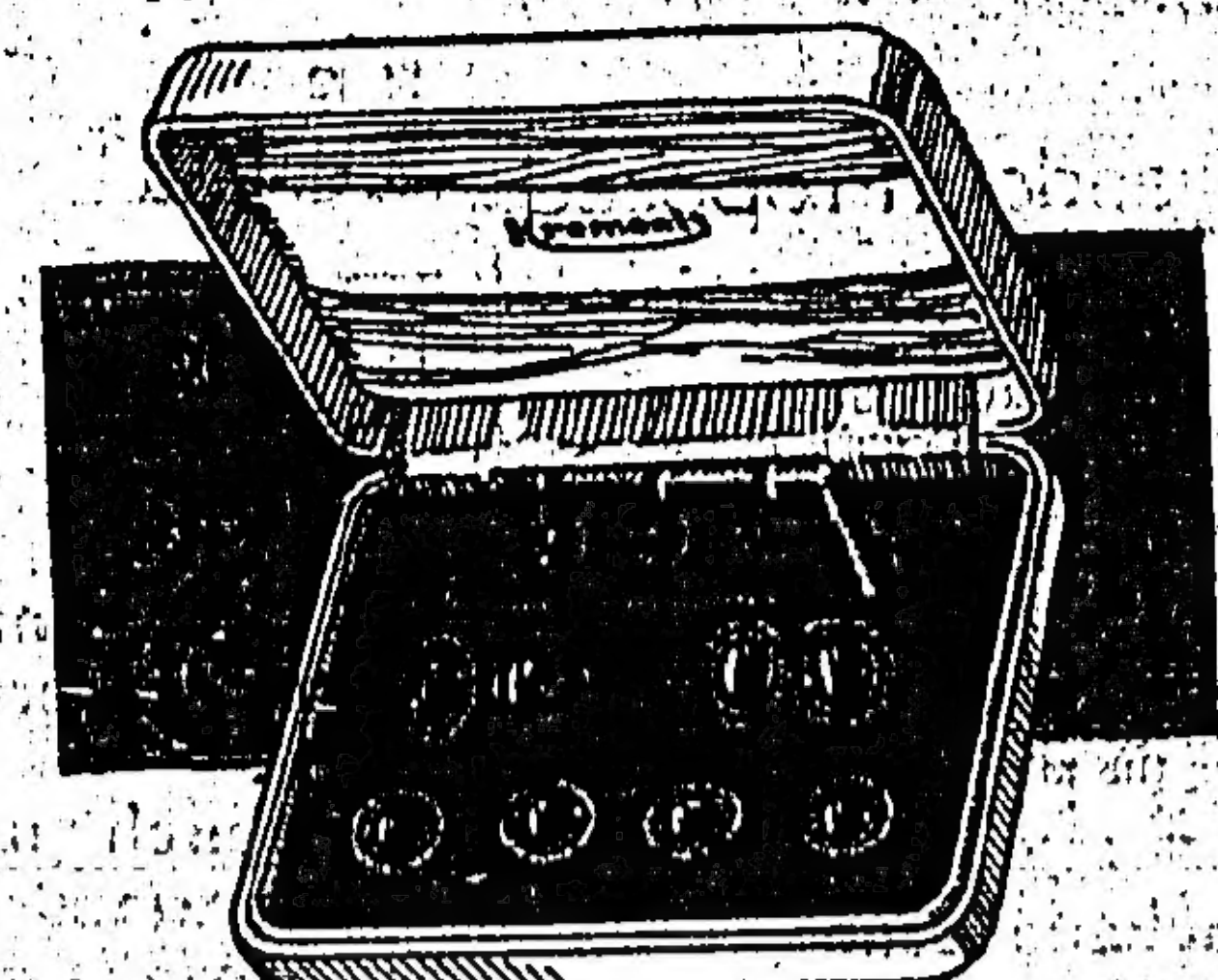
E. Curtis and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Beavan 2-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 5-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 7-21.

KOWLOON TONG V. ST. ANDREW'S

A. E. H. Castro and Lee Kom-ming (Kowloon Tong) lost to E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (K.C.C.) 6-21; lost to W. Gillies and A. E. Brown 6-21; lost to A. F. Bliss and A. E. Brown 14-21. R. E. Lee and F. F. Ko (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 21-13; beat Gillies and Guest 21-14; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10.

N. A. E. Mackay and P. B. C. Fletcher (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 24-22; beat Gillies and Guest 21-7; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10.

beat J. A. Fraser, N. L. Smith, J. Deakin and H. Excellency, 21-10. S. Wong, J. Gibson, N. Hughes, and V. Chittenden beat W. A. Cornell, S. H. Dodwell, Sir Atholl Macgregor and E. Seale, 18-17. T. White, J. Ross, P. Morgan, and W. Field beat P. Collins, R. E. Lindell, A. E. Milne and W. Walker, 25-19.



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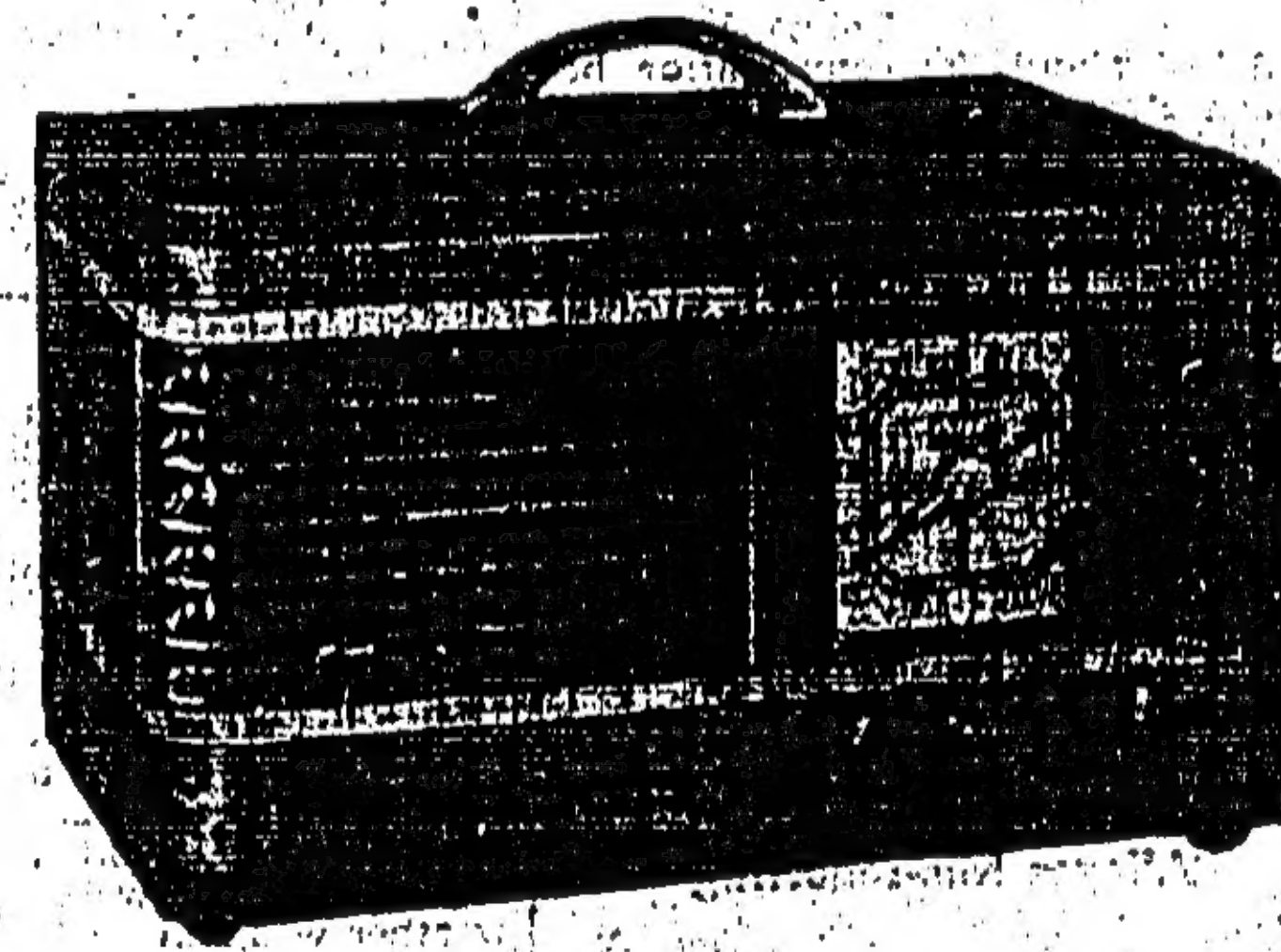
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NEWS OF THE DAY IN PICTURES FROM FAR AND NEAR

Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE



The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, paid a flying visit to British General Headquarters after his recent visit to Paris. The above photograph was taken in the drawing room of a French chateau when the First Lord and Viscount Gort were discussing the situation whilst Lieut. Gen. Pownall stood nearby.

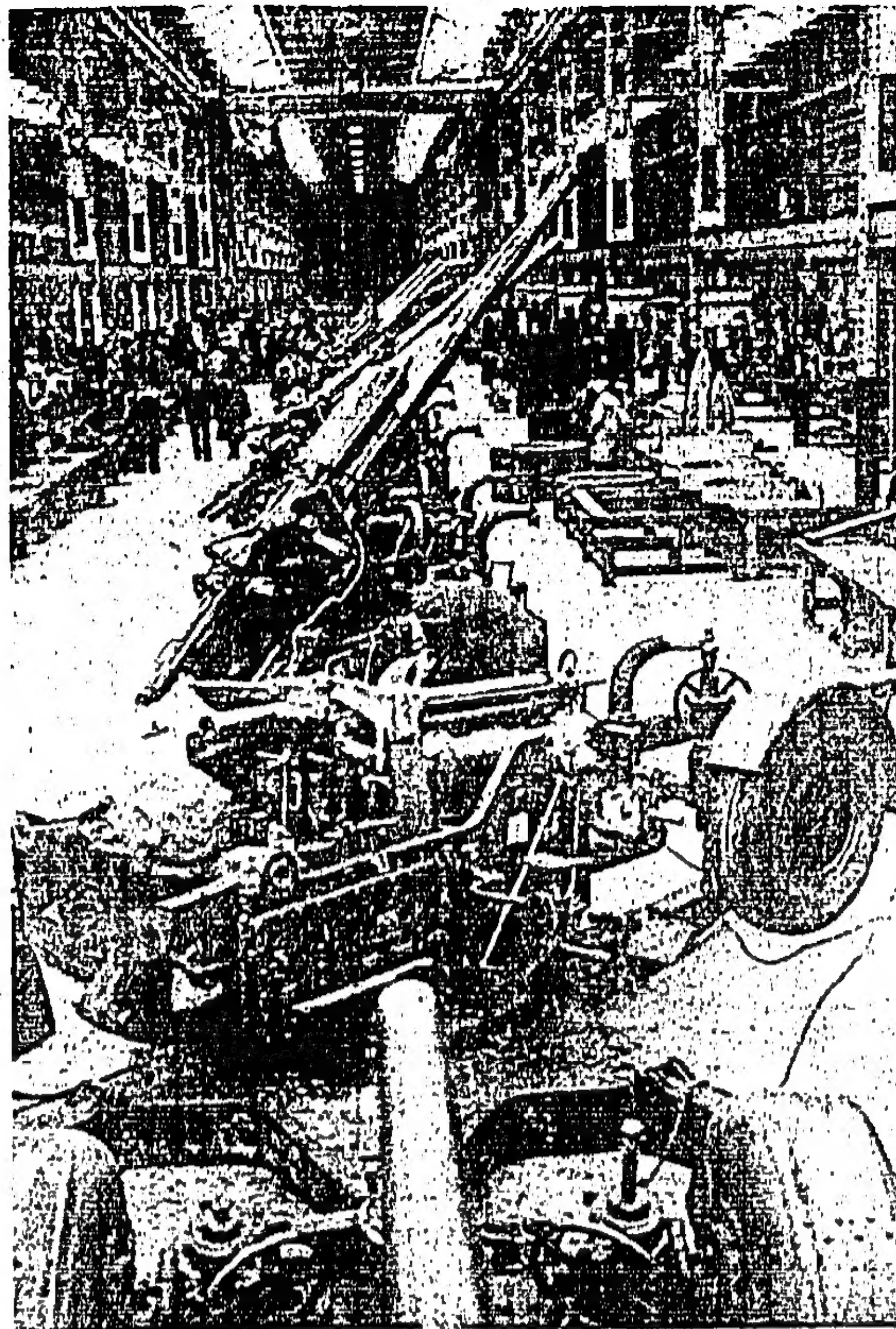


Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, discussing plans with Viscount Gort, the Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force, during his flying visit to the British General Headquarters in France.



And, air and sea chiefs on their way to No. 10, Downing Street. Left to right: General Sir Edmund Ironside, Air Chief-Marshal Sir Cyril Nowell and Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

Yesterday's pace has slackened slightly, possibly owing to the short session. At the same time there is no easing in price levels.

H.K. Bank	\$1.250
Bank of East Asia	\$7 1/2
Canton Ind.	\$200
Douglas	\$70
Docks	\$10
Provident	\$4.20
H. and S. Hotels	\$4.00
Landis	\$10
Chinese Estates	\$100
Tramways	\$16.25
Peak Trans (Old)	\$7.80
Peak Trans (New)	\$3.00
Star Ferries	\$25 1/2
Yau-mai Ferry	\$22
Electric	\$2 1/2
Sandakan Lights	\$11 1/2
Telephones (Old)	\$22
Telephones (New)	\$7 1/2
Cement	\$18 1/2
Harper	\$2.10
Dairy Farms (Old)	\$20
Dairy Farms (New)	\$19 1/2
Watson	\$2 1/2
Entertainment	\$2 1/2
Fires Ins.	\$100
Cement	\$18 1/2
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Dec. 7, 1890.

King Humbert, opening the Italian Parliament, said that peace appears assured, thanks to the concert of the Powers. Certain questions, however, still remain unsettled, and it was unnecessary, therefore, to strengthen the Army and Navy without unduly weighing the Budget.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 7, 1914.

"Reuters" correspondent at Lisbon states that a semi-official note issued to-day announces that, in view of the imminent possibility of the partition of Portugal in the event of a war, it has been suggested that a coalition cabinet, in which all the party leaders should be included, should be formed.

The German Governor of Brussels has demanded from Belgium a monthly payment of 35 million francs towards the upkeep of the army of occupation in that country, and a war indemnity of 375 million francs.

The rebel De Wet, the chief leader of the rebellion in South Africa, has been surrounded and captured, with a command of 62 men, at Waterburg, by Commander Durr.

The many friends of Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, partner in Messrs. Carmichael and Clark, will be interested to hear that he has volunteered for active service. He went home in May last for a year's holiday, but in September joined a Corps of Engineers formed from the Institute of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical and Marine Engineers. This Corps, about 100 strong, has been undergoing training at Deal, and they expect to proceed to the Front early in December.

10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 7, 1929.

The situation in Canton is growing more and more tense. The usual number of wild rumours are circulating, and it is very difficult to arrive at true facts. Opinion remains very divided, although many people believe that the Cantonese forces, aided by the Northern troops, are quite strong enough to defend Canton from the attacks of the Ironclads and Kwang forces.

Latest information regarding the operations of anti-Government forces in the region of Ichang includes a report that the National troops sent to repel the rebels have been defeated, and that the rebellious forces are advancing on Ichang.

Preparations have in the meantime been made to withdraw British, American and Japanese residents from Ichang in case the necessity arises.

Hongkong's first radio exhibition was opened at the City Hall last evening by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., who outlined the Government's policy on broadcasting and expressed confidence in the growth of radio interest in the Colony.

Whilst there will be certain distinct advantages arising out of the resumption of diplomatic relations between Britain and Russia, the importance and value of which should not be overlooked, we cannot say that we are altogether impressed with the Government's hope that it will be possible to repel the rebels in the near future, and that the rebellious forces are advancing on Ichang.

Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford—the World's Sweetheart and her husband—arrived in Hongkong on board the Rurupana yesterday afternoon, on their Far East holiday cruise, and were accorded an enthusiastic reception by a large band of admirers.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 7, 1934.

The Military Collegium, Supreme Court of the Soviet Union, sentenced 37 alleged "anti-revolutionists" in Leningrad and 29 in Moscow. They were all condemned to death and were shot within a few hours of the passing of the sentence.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Lord Privy Seal of England and Baron Aldenham, Italian diplomat, the representatives of their respective Governments on the League of Nations Commission of the League of Nations, have announced that Britain and Italy are ready to send troops into the Saar to prevent disorders.

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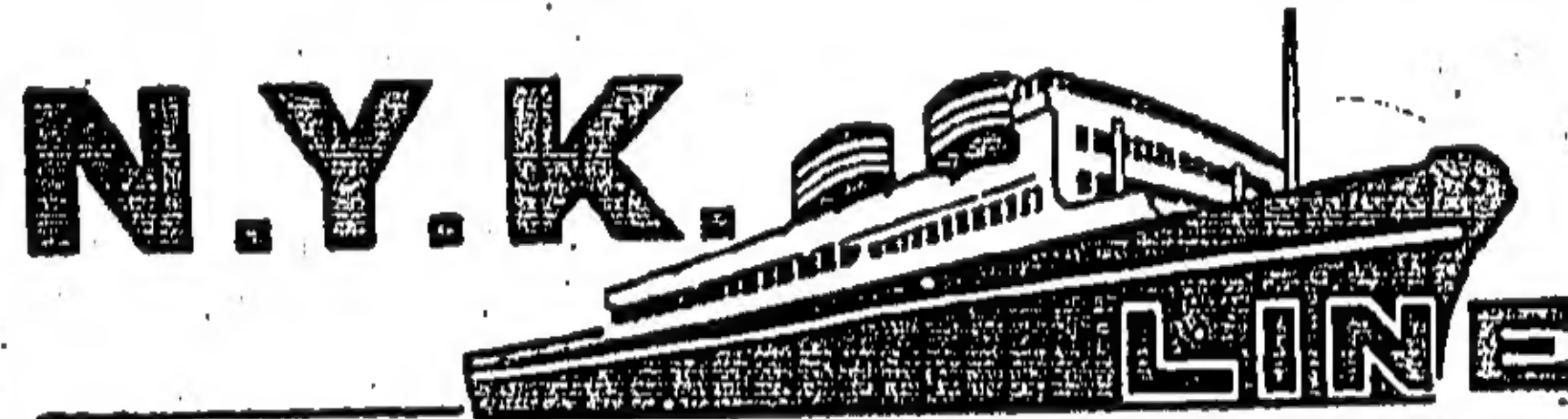
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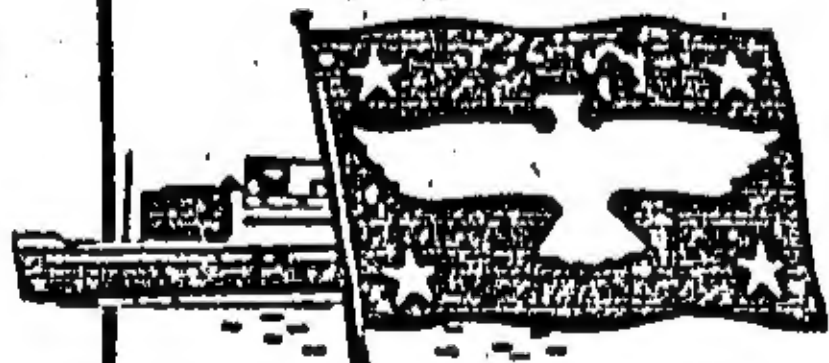
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Mrs. Jay O'Brien, New York socialite, helps create a fashion
for Chinese costume jewellery for the benefit of Mrs. Chiang
Kai-Shek's War Orphans' Fund. The necklace is a triumph of
golden circles containing medallions bearing the Chinese "good
luck" symbol with matching earrings.

Chinese Jewellery Worn To Aid War Orphan Fund

BY ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—During war times there is always a drive of
some sort in progress. At the moment it is directed toward,
and for, the restoration of China and Chinese jewellery, which
fits in very well with current scene.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., heavy and antique and often the
Oriental.
JADE IN VOGUE
Jade is entirely sympathetic with
most colours now in vogue. It is,
by the way, particularly lovely when
combined with coral; and coral, as
you know, is one of the best beloved
of the old-fashioned pieces.

AWAY WITH DICTATORS!

With Elsa Maxwell in the familiar
role of hostess, the jewellery was
given a debut party. "It's time all
this nonsense about fashion dictators
was deflated anyway," said Elsa
Maxwell. "One smart woman who
leads an interesting life absorbs as
much fashion knowledge as any five
fashion designers. Why shouldn't
she have some say in the season's
styles?"

At this party Mrs. Nicholas Long-
worth described the new craze as
evidence that women want a reason
for adopting new styles. "We know
instinctively that wearing new clothes
buys up our spirits," she said. "But
add to that a righteous reason for
buying something new, and you've
got a surefire argument in favor of
any new style."

It seems just the right moment to
Chinese pieces. Indeed, even with-
out "the righteous reason," they
would be sure to go over, since the
whole jewellery trend is toward the

bracelets being bigger and better
than ever, wouldn't you know that
they would influence sleeve lengths?
Bracelet-length sleeves have de-
finitely answered the question as to
how the public would feel about
"longer sleeves." Young girls are
wearing these between-elbow-and-
wrist lengths with apparently as
much satisfaction as they wear the
very short ones that were supposed
to be the only sleeve that was
"youthful" enough for them.

"You can't wear too much jew-
ellery," so says a smart shop an-
nouncement, and so says everyone
who gives the matter a thought. Not
only bracelets galore but fantastic
bills necklaces, some Oriental, some
antique, are seen.

Dresses cut to the throat, or higher,
call for heavy necklaces of gold,
silver or some semi-precious stones.
Lapel ornaments are full grown,
even out-size, and will soon be, if
not already, shifted from the lapel
to the fur collar.

It naturally follows that with hair
worn off the ears, earrings are given
prominence. Many of the newer
follow the lobe of the ear or are in
the fetching wedding ring type.
Wherever one goes, there one sees
earrings.

Apple Chutney And Cheese

THE following is a fine hot chutney
that adds a zest to any cold meat
supper.

Take—
4 lbs green apples.
1 lb moist brown sugar.
1 lb stoned dates.
4 ozs salt.
1 quart vinegar.
1 lb raisins (stoned).
1 lb preserved ginger.
4 ozs garlic. (If not procurable use
1/2 lb onions).
12 chillies.

Peel, core and chop apples. Cut
up the ginger, dates, and raisins.
Put garlic through the mincer. Boil
together all the ingredients in the
vinegar, till the consistency is that of
jam.

If liked hot, add more chillies.
Pour into small pots, and cover when
cold.

Here is another recipe—rather less
expensive. You require:—
2 lbs apples.
1 lb raisins.
1 lb brown sugar.
2 pints vinegar.
2 ozs mixed spice.
1/2 oz ground ginger.
2 teaspoons salt.

Peel and cut up the apples. Stew
till tender in the vinegar, with the
spice tied in muslin. Add the sugar
and boil 10 minutes. Lastly add
raisins, salt, and ginger. Bring to the
boil again, then pour into pots.
Cover when cold.

Apple Cheese

Take 10 tart apples. Peel and core
them. Cut into slices. Place in
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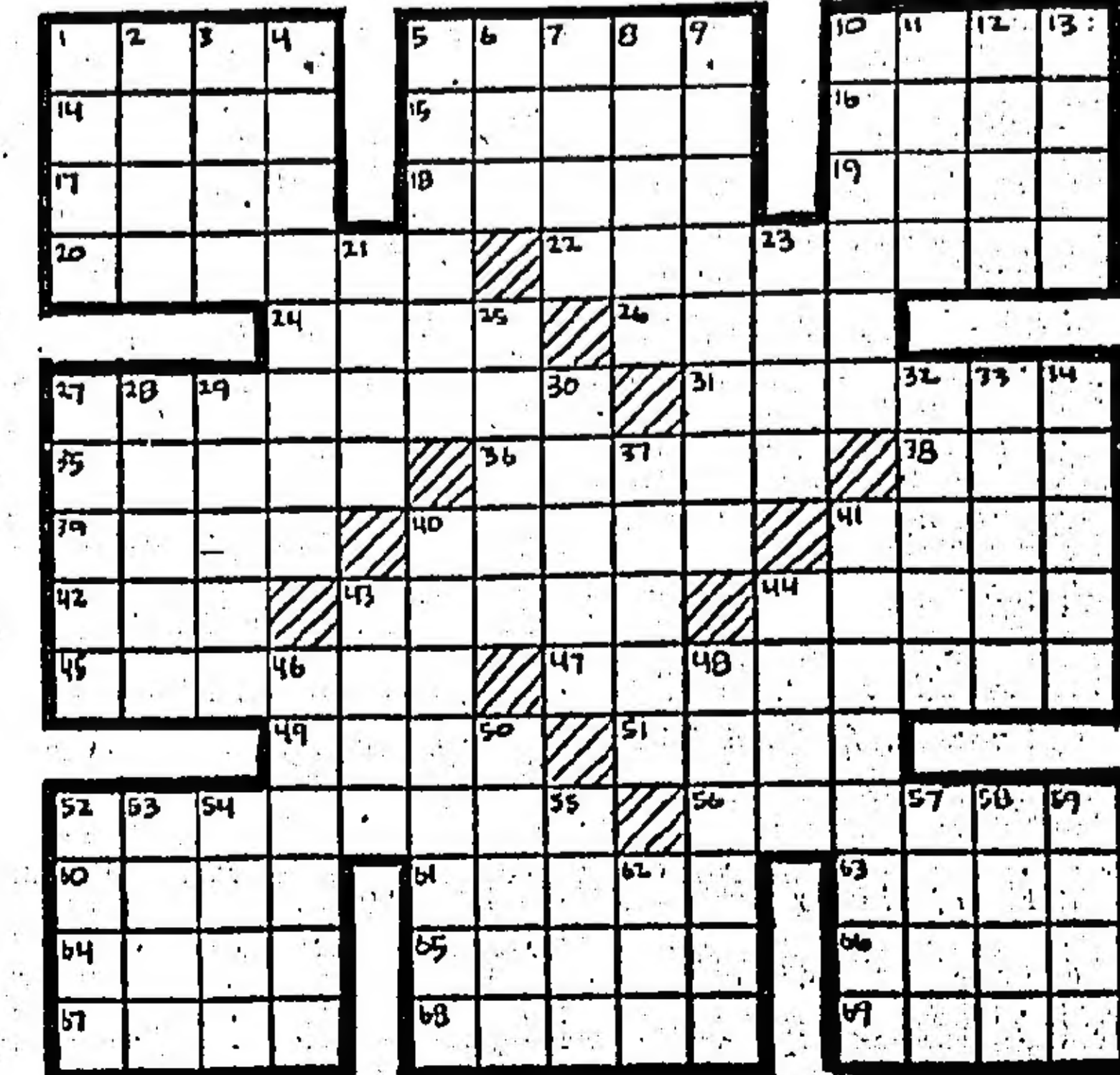
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3—Vegetarian
4—Heroic poem
5—Wife of Zeus
6—Fruit
7—Ancient man atin
8—Permanence
9—Native state to
10—Study in music
11—God of love
12—Food from grain
13—Columbian organ of
14—Short letter
15—Male deer
16—Fruit
17—Undigested food
18—Combine
19—Decay
20—Milk (pharm.)
21—Package of cotton
22—Woolen cloth
23—Article of furni-
24—Direct
25—Carousal
26—Compuser
27—Flock of birds
28—Batten of snow
29—Grain
30—South African
31—Not given to talking
32—Bag
33—Street game
34—Unit

DOWN
1—Chickadee
2—Girl who loved a
swan
3—Bundled—tree
4—Pick
5—Original
6—Water ditch
7—Project
8—Representative of one
9—Without teeth
10—Pierian fairy
11—Object of worship
12—Lute
13—Point at which curve
14—Lute
15—Went Indian
16—Ridiculous
17—Blunt
18—Withers
19—First piece of metal
20—Deductions for
respective
21—Maples
22—Representative
23—Referring, as a
mirror
24—Silica
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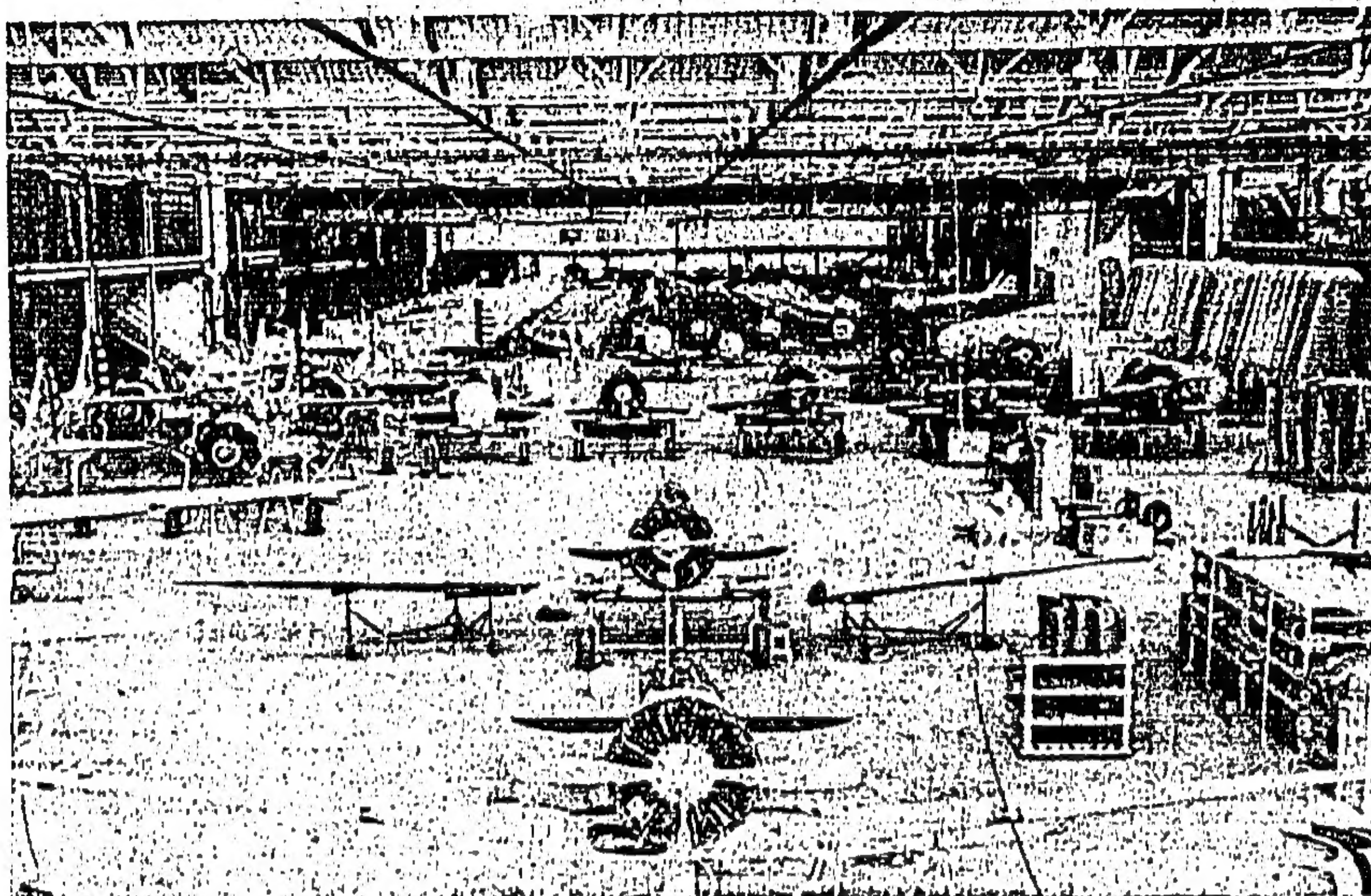


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ACHIEVEMENTS of half a million women volunteers in Britain are praised in a report which describes the evacuation as "the greatest movement of people ever undertaken in this country."

As chairman of the Women Voluntary Services for Civil Defence, the Dowager Marchioness of Reading in her report says that in September over 96,000 volunteers were enrolled.

This brought the total since June, 1938, to nearly half a million.

At the London headquarters alone 11,000 volunteers in September were interviewed.

The chairman speaks of the "enormous difficulties" of the evacuation, adding:

"It should be remembered, however, that in an operation of this nature it is always the difficulties of which most is heard."

"Recent report from the regions show that at this date, approximately two months after the evacuation, although a percentage of school children have returned, great numbers of children of school age have been happily absorbed into the receiving areas."

FIRST WARNING

England's first air-raid warning (says the report) coincided with the arrival of a number of women and children at an East Anglian port on the morning of the outbreak of war. Arriving by boat from the London area, they were being moved from the warehouse where they had rested to a fleet of buses on the journey inland. The warning came and the whole operation passed off smoothly.

Running mobile canteens, helping with hospital supplies and training ambulance drivers, are among the tasks carried out by the women volunteers.

In the receiving areas their work began by co-operation in the billeting survey in February last, and the making of thousands of palisades and planning of sick bay accommodation.

TWO CAME BACK

"After official evacuation," says the report, "we received in London many requests to arrange for the evacuation of children under five without their mothers."

"These were all cases of real distress. The first application came during the air-raid warning on the morning war broke out."

"Since then 195 have been sent out, and two have come back."

Another side of evacuation was the steady emptying of the hospitals, and the return of all the sitting patients to their homes.

In London alone 922 volunteer owner-drivers were registered for evacuation and general transport work.

RUMANIAN LAWS
New Freedom Proposed
For Minorities

Bucharest, Dec. 6.
The Cabinet Council has decided that Parliament reconvene on December 14 for a series of new laws to be introduced, including the application of the five-year plan for industry and, more especially, agriculture, and also providing for new freedom for the minorities.—United Press.

By Ernie Bushmiller

Advice On War
Problems

LONDON.—Advice on personal and domestic difficulties caused by war conditions is given here by Citizens' Advisory Bureaus, set up by voluntary social service bodies.

Some 110 of them in the Metropolitan Police area have dealt with thousands of cases.

The London Council of Social Service, a co-ordinating body working with the Charity Organisation Society, is arranging for the service in inner London boroughs, and in such outer ones as Croydon, Enfield, Ealing and Wimbledon.

The central London Bureau is in the crypt at St. Martin in the Fields. Many others are in settlements or in church halls.

The chief problems dealt with are in regard to evacuation, rent, hire and purchase agreements, and delay in payment of separation allowances. In Bermondsey, a slum district of London from which most of the children have been evacuated, the chief difficulty is that of storage of furniture.

Families have evacuated but were forced to leave their furniture behind. As long as it remains, the rent is still due. As depots are full, the Bureau is finding additional warehouses.

The work is recognised by the Ministry of Health as of national importance, and the head office is kept informed of official decisions on current problems.

The Bureaus are thus enabled to act as clearing houses for sound advice and up-to-date information. It has been arranged to keep some of the Bureaus open on Sunday.

OUR GUIDE TO
THE CINEMAS

"Saint in London" (Queen's): Mystery yarn produced in London and based on a story by Leslie Charteris. At first the law and its representatives seem to be held in disrespect, but it later appears that the Saint is working with Scotland Yard and the Government against a gang of foreign racketeers. Starring George Sanders and Sally Grey.

"Wife, Husband and Friend" (Majestic): Gay and unusual story of a couple of would-be songbirds, the "wife" and "husband" of the title, who go on adoring each other through all sorts of romantic entanglements. With Loretta Young, Warner Baxter, Binnie Barnes, Cesar Romero and George Barbier.

"The Warning" (Queen's and Alhambra): This is a short National Service documentary film which runs for 20 minutes. It surveys the dangers that menace Britain from an air attack and how they may be met by organised preparedness of civilians to back up the might of armed forces. A call to service is given at the conclusion of the film by Sir John Anderson, Minister for Civil Defence.

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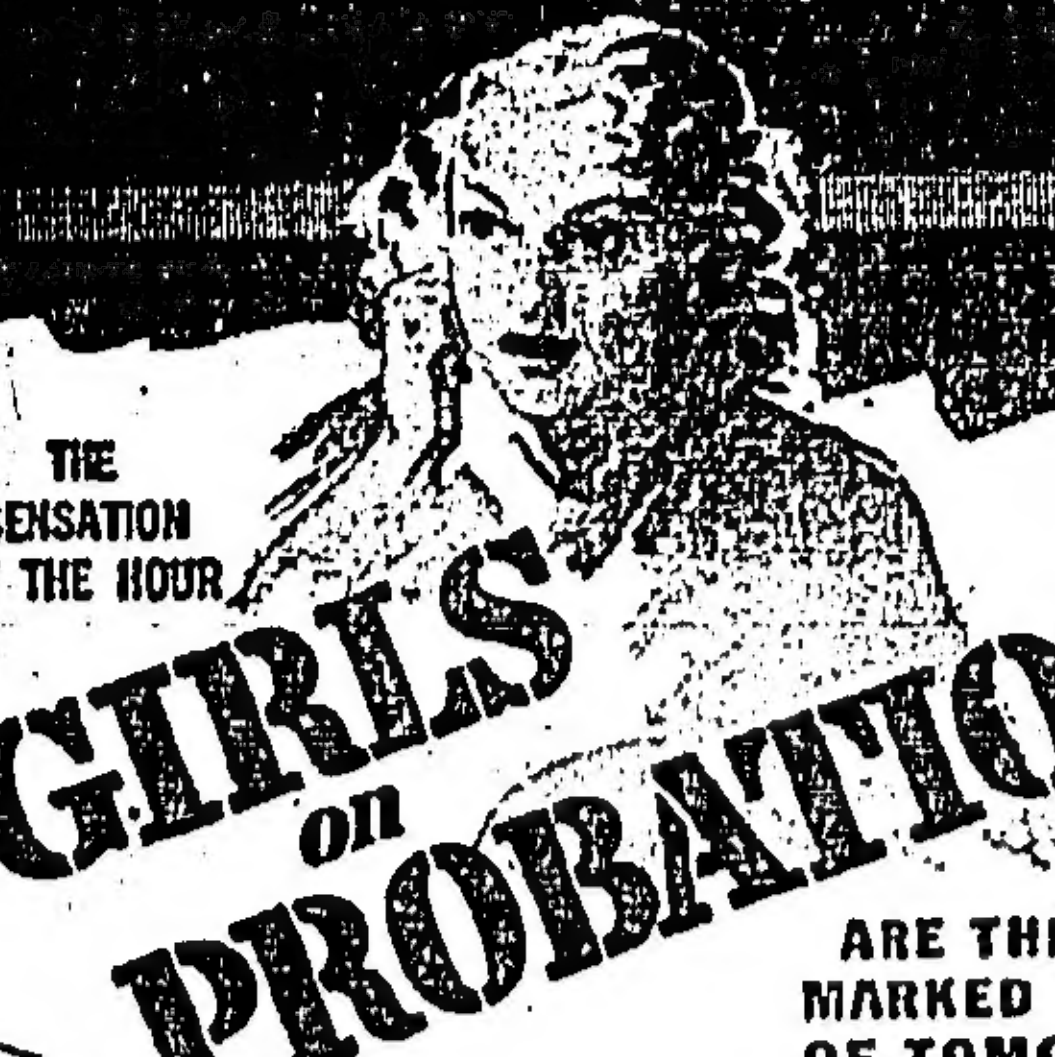
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1. The German Air Attack on the Firth of Forth.
2. Captured Aviators in a British Hospital.
3. President of Finland, Kings of Denmark, Norway and Sweden joining for a conference on mutual war aid.
4. General Gamelin and General Viscount Gort inspect the Front.
5. The actual attacks on the Japanese invaders by Chinese Guerrillas.
6. China's Amazon Army, etc., etc.

TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY

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Members of the Women's Transport Service shown carrying off a "Victim" of an "air attack" during a Training Class.

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Assistant Bishop For South China

Rev. Y. Y. Tsu, Ph.D., of St. John's University, Shanghai, has been elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Hongkong especially for the oversight of the work of the Anglican Church (Chung Hua Sheng Kung) in Yunnan and Kweichow. Dr. Tsu is 50 years old. His wife is also a distinguished Christian worker and is President this year of the Y. W. C. A. of China.

Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, lately Headmaster of the 'Diocesan Boys' School, has been nominated by the House of Bishops to the Archbishop of Canterbury to succeed Rt. Rev. John Hind as Diocesan Bishop in Fukien. Bishop Sargent has been Assistant Bishop in Fukien since November last year.

Rt. Rev. Frank L. Norris, veteran Bishop in North China is also to retire next year, and will be succeeded by Rt. Rev. Arnold Scott, now Bishop of Shantung.

PACIFIC AGREEMENT

Panama Ships May Extend Run to Hongkong

San Francisco, Dec. 5. Mr. Joseph R. Sheehan, President of American President Steamship Lines, to-day announced that negotiations have been opened with the President of the Panama Pacific Line, Mr. Kenneth Dawson, envisaging a joint service agreement for trans-Pacific passenger and shipping trade in which four Panama Pacific inter-coastal ships will augment the President Lines service by extending their voyages to Manila, Hongkong and Singapore.—United Press.

LATE NEWS

TOKYO'S POLICY

Tokyo, Dec. 6. Mr. Chuji Machida, President of the Minseito, the largest political party in Japan called on General Shunroku Hata, War Minister, this morning.

It is understood that General Hata recently endorsed the Premier's request to the Minseito leader to join the Cabinet.

During to-day's interview, Mr. Machida explained his position and assured the War Minister that, although he has declined the Premier's offer, he would not fail to assist the Government to strengthen the unity of the nation.

Political circles attach importance to the meeting which is to promote co-operation between political parties and the military in the conduct of the China campaign. It is pointed out

CHINESE CHAMBER

Peruvian Immigration Laws Discussed at Meeting

A donation of \$1,000 to the British War Organisation Fund was agreed to by members of the Hongkong Chinese Chamber of Commerce at their monthly meeting yesterday. Mr. J. M. Wong was in the chair and was assisted by Mr. H. Y. T'so, secretary.

A report which appeared in the South China Morning Post on December 5 regarding a decree by the Peruvian Government forbidding any Chinese immigration was mentioned by a member of the committee, and after some discussion it was decided that a telegram be sent to the Chinese Ambassador in Peru asking him to take up the matter with the Peruvian Government.

That Mr. Machida was informed by the War Minister of the Army's plans in dealing with the new Central Government in China and disposing of the China Affair.—Domei.

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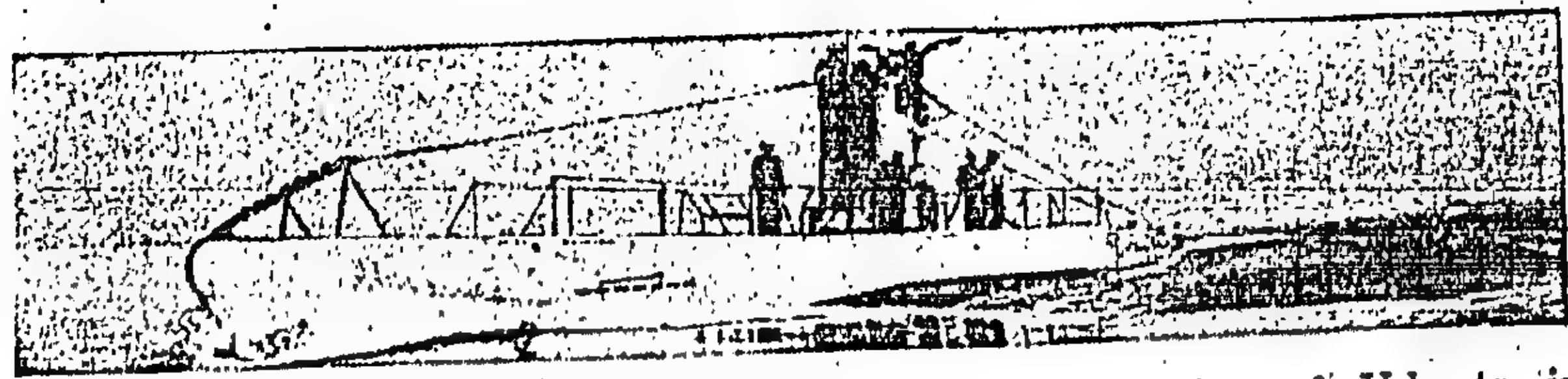
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NAZIS BEATEN ON HIGH SEAS

DAMAGED BY RED BOMBS

Finland's famous hydro-electric works at Imatra, which have been damaged by Red bombs. These works supply Helsinki with electricity and are one of several big undertakings of a similar nature in Finland. The country derives much of its wealth from its water, which is also proving a major obstacle to the Russian advance.

They Only Attack Neutrals Now

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter)—Mr. Winston Churchill, said that the destruction of U-boats is proceeding in accordance with the estimate

previously given, namely, two to four a week, or faster than the Germans can replace them.

"Last week, I am inclined to think, certainly five met their fate from our flotillas, or in co-operation with the R.A.F." said Mr. Churchill. The First Lord added that these results were independent of those attained by the French Navy.

Over 1,000 merchantmen were armed for defence and before long there would be over 2,000 ships armed.

Royal Navy Losses

The Royal Navy up to now had lost 50,000 tons of warships. "But we are now building nearly 1,000,000 tons of warships, much of which is now in an advanced stage," added Mr. Churchill.

Referring to German claims to the mastery of the seas, Mr. Churchill

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REDS DEMANDING ESTONIAN AID?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 7 (UP).—Finland, although cheered by the reported arrival of between fifty and sixty Italian bombers, is apprehensive of a new danger that appears to be arising.

Reports from Estonia indicate that the Soviet has summoned that country to give greater military co-operation against Finland. (Estonia was recently forced to sign a pact of mutual assistance with Soviet Russia.)

According to messages from Tallinn, the Estonian Commander-in-Chief, General Laidoner, has been summoned to Moscow. Charges have already been made that Soviet planes are operating against Finland from the new Soviet bases on Estonian soil.

Fighting On All Fronts

Fighting continues on all fronts in Finland.

The towns of Ute, Simola and Kallafra, on the Viipur-Helsingfors Railway sounded air raid alarms this morning. The All Clear was subsequently given without any Soviet planes being sighted.

The Finnish Legation in London admits that the Soviet forces have penetrated eleven miles on the Karelian front and are now approaching the outer defences of Finland's famous Mannerheim Line.

"PUPPET" GOVERNMENT SEAT IS BOMBED

ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Torijoki, seat of the "puppet" Finnish Government, was evacuated following a bombardment by Finnish planes, according to reports from Helsinki.

These reports add that the Russian forces advancing on Petsamo are being machine-gunned from the air by the Finns. The Finnish Parliament met twice yesterday at a place not revealed.

BRITAIN WON'T DISCRIMINATE London Report Denied

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively stated here that the "United Press" message, alleged to have originated in London and published in Shanghai on December 5 and repeated by the Chungking radio, that the British Government had decided to avoid depriving Japan of shipments of arms and munitions, is entirely without foundation, states a special communique issued to-day.

No such decision has been taken.

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Reds May Launch Three Major Offensives DECISIVE BATTLES BELIEVED NEAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, DEC. 7 (DOMEI).—IN AN EFFORT TO GAIN A QUICK AND DECISIVE VICTORY IN FINLAND, SOVIET FORCES ARE PREPARING TO LAUNCH SIMULTANEOUS MAJOR ATTACKS FROM THREE DIRECTIONS, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING THE CAPITAL.

It is believed that the three drives will be launched as follows:
In the north from Petsamo, the Arctic coast seaport;

From the Kuopio area westward towards the western coast of Finland, with Tornio, the Gulf of Bothnia port, as their objective. This would, if achieved, cut Finland in two.

From the Gulf of Finland, Red naval forces may attempt to land at various points on the Finnish southern coast, for the purpose of occupying the industrial zone.

Large Soviet forces have already massed at Petsamo and in the Kemarjavi area.

Finland, on the other hand, is continuing to strengthen its defences. Occupations of the strategic Aaland Islands has closed the Gulf of Bothnia to Soviet warships, so that any threat to Finland's western coast must not come overland across Finland's narrow "throat."

Sweden has aided in blocking the Gulf of Bothnia by mining the area between its coast and the Aaland Islands. Finland has already mined the area east of the Aalands.

Can't Attack Tornio

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (UP).—Mining of the entrance to the Gulf of Bothnia by Sweden and Finland has, it is believed, excluded all possibility of a Russian naval attack on the strategic seaport of Tornio.

Exclusion of Soviet forces from this area has secured to Finland the vitally necessary railway between Finland and Sweden.

It is believed, however, that the Russians intend to attempt to sever this line by an overland attack from Petsamo.

Other major offensives are expected in the south.

The Finns, anticipating the Russian drive from Petsamo, have destroyed the highway from Petsamo to Linnaharju, thus completely immobilising the Russian mechanised units, which cannot cross the precipitous country.

A detachment of 200 Russians have been surrounded at Salmijarvi. It

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LATEST

R.A.F. RAIDS NAZI BASES

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Another raid by British planes on German naval bases is announced in a brief Admiralty statement.

It is indicated that the raid was completely successful and that all machines returned safely.

A Berlin statement, which admits the raid and says that the attack was concentrated against the bases at Schleswig-Holstein, claims that owing to the intensity of the German A.A. fire, the British planes were driven off without being able to drop any bombs.

No bomb, it is asserted, were dropped on German territory.

The allegation is made that British machines escaped over Danish territory.

Assertion Denied
LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that R.A.F. aircraft carried out a successful flight over North Germany yesterday evening.

The announcement adds that there is no truth whatever in the German assertion that British aircraft flew over Denmark.

See Back Page For Further Late News



This map illustrates the areas through which the Soviet may drive.

20,000 RED CASUALTIES

Soviet Pays Big Price For Invasion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 7 (UP).—One week's warfare in Finland has caused more casualties than the entire land, sea and air warfare between Germany and the Allies.

Heavy battles continue on all fronts, especially near Petsamo in the north, north of Lake Ladoga and on the Karelian Isthmus.

Deep snow is hampering Soviet operations, which are unable to distinguish their objectives.

"General Winter," in fact, is Finland's great ally. Heavy, biting winds and blizzards are hampering the Red Army on the land and ice is blocking the Soviet navy in the Gulf of Finland and along the Arctic coast.

Ill-Equipped Forces
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 7 (UP).—Despatches from Helsinki estimate that the Soviet losses are already 20,000 dead, wounded or captured.

Their gains are under no circumstances commensurate with their losses.

It is estimated that the total invading force consists of 500,000 men, 500 warplanes and 1,000 mechanised units.

Despatches from Rome correspondents indicate that the Russians are poorly clad, ill-fed and badly equipped.

Rome reports claim that they are advancing against Finland only ahead of U.G.R.U. machine-guns.

Norwegian Killed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SALMIAEVI, Dec. 7 (UP).—One of the many Norwegians who have volunteered to fight for Finland has been killed on active service.

He is Ensign Reino Linnala. He enlisted for service with the Finnish forces soon after the Russian invasion commenced.

Linnala died in hospital as a result of severe wounds.

RAIL STOCKS ADVANCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, a sharp advance on the prices of railway stocks was the chief feature of to-day's quiet markets.

Most groups were initially easy but recovered towards the close of trading.

Of the commodities, rubber eased owing to increased offerings together with the falling-off of American demand.

Cotton was active following a reduction of the United States export subsidy.

Values advanced on general and speculative buying and trade calling. Wall Street was firm.

Nazi Liner Captured British Warships Effect Coup

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—British warships have captured the German liner, Ussukuma, 7,834 tons, in the South Atlantic. It is officially announced.

The officers and crew are safely aboard a British ship. Despite the attempt of the crew to scuttle the Ussukuma, she may be salvaged and taken as a prize to port.

German Ships Sail Unarmed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Neither of the two German ships, Windhuk and Adolph Wermann, which left Lorient on November 16 was armed, according to information in possession of the British Government.

This statement was made by Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at question time in the House of Commons to-day.

The latter vessel was scuttled, while the Windhuk was known to have been searched at one time by Portuguese authorities while in port.

Mr. Butler explained that it was no part of the duties of a neutral power to prevent the departure of unarmed merchant vessels of belligerents from their harbours, and the British Government gratefully recognised that the Portuguese Government had scrupulously observed their obligations throughout the course of the present hostilities.

British Ship Missing
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A British steamer, the Huntsman, is reported to be missing says an Admiralty announcement. Six of the crew of a Danish 2,500-ton steamer were drowned when the vessel struck a mine in the North Sea and sunk.

Angry M. P. Apologises

Scene In Commons
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mr. W. Dobbie, the Socialist M.P., at question time to-day referred to the incident in which he was concerned yesterday.

He expressed his regret and explained that he had returned from his constituency, where cases of hardship and the great deal of grievances had impressed him so much that he showed more temper than he had intended.

He apologised to the Speaker and the House.

Magnetic Mines Mastered

WE HAVE NAZIS TAPED, DECLARES ADMIRAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—"We have Germany taped," declared Vice-Admiral Osborne, the British Chief Censor, speaking at the Anglo-American Press Association luncheon.

Emphasising that he was stating his views, he said that they had mastered the magnetic mine which was a novelty, because in the last war they had laid a big minefield in the Dover Roads over which no submarine could pass without being blown up.

It might be necessary to send minesweepers ahead of convoys but he had no doubt that the mine menace would be overcome.

The Deutschland and other raiders might give lots of trouble before they were sunk, but he did not doubt that eventually they would be sent to the bottom.

Our Knowledge
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, when asked whether details of the apparatus which makes the detonators of magnetic mines active could now be disclosed, replied that it would be better not to "make public" at the present time the technical details of our knowledge of these mines.



They Tried To Enter Scapa

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

DURING his weekly resume of naval activities in the House of Commons to-day, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, revealed that further naval attacks have been made on the naval base at Scapa Flow, where H.M.S. Royal Oak was sunk by a Nazi submarine.

"Several U-boat commanders have sought to emulate the Scapa Flow exploit," Mr. Churchill said. "They have all failed."

Mr. Churchill's reference to the active method of fighting U-boats is the first use of the term in a public speech.

The naval authorities preserve complete secrecy regarding the device, which is believed to employ a special type of hydro-plane apparatus for the detection of submarines by sound.

Reuter and United Press messages.

AIR RAIDS RESUMED

Bomber Shot Down Near Norfolk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Domei).—Breaking their silence in the past several days, German planes resumed action against England to-day.

One German bomber was shot down near the coast of Norfolk in England, while a slight, which appeared over the mouth of the Thames was repulsed by the Royal Air Force.

The Air Ministry has announced that the activity of German aircraft is apparently in order to lay magnetic mines near the coast of England.

German Plane Forced Down
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A German plane came down off the Netherlands coast to-day.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) on Tuesday, the 19th December, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

The Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children will be held in the Helena May Institute on Monday, December 11th at 5.30 p.m.

The Meeting is open to all persons interested in the work of the Society.

ANN. CROZIER,
Hon. General Secretary.

A CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS PARTY

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The Chief Cable Censor (Mr. J. R. Nisbet) advises that one authenticating code group consisting of five figures or five letters may be included in remittance telegrams of leading insurance, shipping and commercial houses. The Chief Cable Censor is authorised, at his discretion, to demand production of the code book used.

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MOSCOW-CHUNGKING AIR LINE OPENS

General Ho Yao-tsu Makes First Trip To Soviet Capital

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—General Ho Yao-tsu, Director of the Executive Office of the Generalissimo's headquarters, left Chungking yesterday morning for Moscow aboard the Chinese Ministry of Communications' airliner, "Chungking," which inaugurated the through air traffic between the two capitals, according to an official announcement made here today.

He arrived safely yesterday evening at Lanchow, capital of Kansu, according to a telegram received here, and was scheduled to continue his flight to Moscow this morning.

Will Meet Red Leaders. General Ho Yao-tsu, it is understood, had originally planned to leave on September 25, but on hearing that arrangements on the new air route had not yet been completed, postponed his departure until yesterday.

Among the notables gathered at the airport yesterday to see him off were General Ho Ying-ching, General Chang Chih-chung, the chief A.D.C. to the Generalissimo, and representatives of the Foreign Office and the Soviet Embassy.

It is announced that upon his arrival in Moscow, General Ho will call on Soviet leaders.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$1,330 b. & ca.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) \$282 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) \$204 n.
Chartered \$204 n.
Metcalf & Co. \$117 n.
Metcalf & Co. (Lon. Reg.) \$117 n.
East Asia \$71 b.

INSURANCES
Canton \$200 b.
Union \$390 n.
China Underwriter \$14 n.
H.K. Fire \$100 a.

SHIPPING
Douglases \$70 b.
Steamboats \$12 s.
Indo-China, P.S. \$60 n.
Indo-China, D.S. \$30 n.
Shells (Bearers) \$78 n.
Waterboats \$8.10 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$101 1/4 b.
Docks \$19 s.
Providents \$4 1/4 b.
New Eng. Sh. \$17.00 n.
Sh. Docks \$105 n.

MINING
Kailan \$18 n.
Baobis \$10 n.
Yenz. Gold \$4 n.
H.K. Mines \$4 cts. n.

LANDS
Hotels \$4.05 b.
Lands \$33 b.
Lands 4 1/2 Dbs. \$100 n.
Shui Lands Sh. \$10.80 n.
Humphreys \$8 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities \$4.30 n.
Chinese Estates \$100 b.

UTILITIES
Trams \$10.20 b.
Peak Power \$100 b.
Peak Trams (new) \$4 b.
Star Ferries \$23 1/4 b.
Y. Ferries \$23 1/4 b.

China Lights (old) \$7.05 n.
China Lights (new) \$4.70 n.
H.K. Electric \$51 1/4 b.
Macao Electric \$18 1/4 n.
Sandakan Lights \$11 1/2 n.

Telephones (old) \$12 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$7.30 b.
Traction \$16/3 n.
Traction (Prof.) \$16/3 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) \$14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Prof.) \$13 n.
Canton Ice \$13 1/2 n.
Cement \$13 1/2 n.
H.K. Rope \$1.50 b.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms (old) \$20.10 b.
Dairy Farms (new) \$19 1/4 b.
Watsons \$8 1/4 b.
Lane, Crawford \$7 1/4 n.
Sincere \$4.2 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$4.1 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$1 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$23 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. \$ ex. div. \$101 n.
Zong Sing \$42 n.
Wing On Textiles \$48 1/4 n.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainments \$6.25 b.
Constructions (old) \$1.75 b.
Constructions (new) \$1 n.
Vibro Piling \$1 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$47 n.

H.K. Govt. 4% Loan \$100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% Loan \$7 b. & ca.
Marsmans (Lon.) \$14/0 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) \$4 n.

House Of Lords To Meet In Secret

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Lord Stanhope announced in the House of Lords today that the Government was prepared to agree to a secret session of the House next week, either on Tuesday or Thursday. The date could be arranged between the parties. The object of the session was to discuss the Ministry of Supply.

DANISH STEAMER SUNK: SIX DEAD

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Danish steamer, Ovetoft, 3,000 tons, was mined in the North Sea on Sunday. Six were drowned and the remaining 15 of the crew were picked up.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Singapore 352	4 m/s France 11.45
T.T. Japan 103	30 d/s India 84 1/2
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T.T. Manila 40 1/4	
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12.30 The Don Cossacks Choir. Monotonously Rhyme The Little Bell (Russian Folk Song arr. Jaroff).

Save, O Lord, Thy People (Tschernikoff); Safeguard, O Lord (Tschernikoff); Accompanied, Conducted by Serge Jaroff.

12.45 Rimsky-Korsakov—Russian Easter Festival—Overture. Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

1. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Billy Mayerl—"Four Aces" Suite.

1.15 Terence Casey at the Piano. 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

2.45 Duke Ellington and His Orchestra. 2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Studio—Children's Hour. 6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Percy Wood (Soprano) in Songs from Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit".

7.11 See You Again; Dear Little Cafe; Peggy Wood and George Metaxa with Orchestra; Zigzagger; Percy Wood with Piano.

7.17 Gerry Moore (Piano) and Geraldine and His Orchestra. 7.30 London Relay—The News.

8. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements. 8.03 Brahms—Double Concerto in A Minor, Op. 102.

Jacques Thibaud (Violin), Pablo Casals (Cello) and The Pablo Casals Orchestra, Barcelona, conducted by Alfred Cortot.

8.25 Some Brahms Songs. Little Sandman; In Silent Night; Comedy Harmonists with Piano; Machigall; Standchen; Elena Gerhardt (Mezzo-Soprano) with Piano.

8.35 Studio—Talk "East of Vienna." 9.05 Piano Solos by Paderewski. Minuet in G Major, Op. 14; No. 1 (Paderewski); Mazurka in D Major, Op. 33, No. 2 (Chopin); Mazurka in A Flat Major, Op. 59, No. 2 (Chopin).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary. 9.26 Gershwin—Cuban Overture. Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra.

9.41 Songs by Bing Crosby. The Funny Old Hills (film "Paris Honeymoon"); I Have Eyes (film "Paris Honeymoon"); Mexican Rose (Stone-Tenny).

9.54 Short Programme by Eddie Feeney (Instrumentalist). 10.05 Some Dance "Hits" of the Moment.

11 London Relay—"Background to News." 11.15 Close Down.

BIG CONTRABAND DETENTIONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A total of 12,700 tons of contraband were detained by the British Contraband Control in the week ended December 2.

During the fortnight ended November 11, the French control detained 35,300 tons.

Total contraband detained by the Allied Control since the beginning of the war is approximately 735,000 tons.

Nazis Tell Their Silliest Lie Yet

BERLIN wireless stations recently launched the most scurrilous attack against Mr. Winston Churchill that they have yet managed to invent.

At the beginning of the war, they said, the First Lord sold a large block of shipping shares. Then he "organised the sinking of the Athenia" so that the shares would fall and he could buy them back cheap.

"In this way," said the speaker, "War-monger No. 1, Winston Churchill, speculates on the Stock Exchange."

Here are the facts. You can work it out for yourself.

Prices of three typical shipping shares, before and after the sinking of the Athenia, taken on September 1, before the war, and on September 9, after the reopening of the Stock Exchange:

Share	Sept. 1.	Sept. 9
Canard-White	Star 2s. 0d. 4s. 0d.	
Court Lines	8s. 6d. 11s. 3d.	
Lampart and Holt	5s. 6d. 8s. 0d.	

Anyone who sold these before the sinking of the Athenia and then bought them in again must have lost heavily by the transaction.

Lie-monger No. 1 in Berlin will have to watch his market reports more carefully.

It will take more than his present ingenuity to prove that Mr. Churchill, or anyone else in England "organised" the sinking of the Athenia.

To Assist Students

With the two-fold purpose of cultivating the interest of Chinese students in the study of English and of supplying them with wholesome material for collateral reading, several professors of the Canton University have recently published a semi-monthly entitled English Dial, which made its first appearance on Tuesday.

The material of this publication is largely drawn from periodical literature and newspapers. It is thought that such up-to-date material not only acquaints the students with the events of the world but also helps them to enlarge their vocabulary.

To further help them to develop a reading knowledge of English—a difficulty with which many a Chinese student has to contend—the editors have taken great pains to render the English versions into Chinese with ample footnotes and explanations.

The contents of this magazine consist of selected readings in journalistic prose, news items, feature articles,

DOLLAR FOR THE KING

Sent From U.S. By Girl Of 12

A LETTER postmarked Philadelphia, United States, and addressed to the King, was delivered at Buckingham Palace. In it was a dollar note.

"Please accept the enclosed dollar from my savings," it ran, "which you can use for the children that had to be evacuated from London."

"Since I am a girl 12 years old I am very much interested in these children. It is very kind of you to send them away before any real danger occurs."

"When I go back to school next week I am going to save from my weekly lunch allowance until I get enough money to send you to help the children of England. I will ask my friends to do the same."

Mr. Walter Elliot, the Minister of Health, has replied on behalf of the King, saying that the dollar has been spent on extra clothes for a little girl of five who has been sent to the country and whose father is out of work.

speeches and orations of the day, diplomatic documents, short stories, popular science, idiomatic expressions, and idioms.

The paper is edited by Prof. W. H. Tan, Prof. H. S. See, Prof. B. C. Dai, Prof. P. L. Ho, and Prof. S. T. Tong. The publisher is Mr. S. W. Liang, manager of the New China Cultural Service, Kowloon.

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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 29th November. Dec. 7.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 29th November. Dec. 7.

Japan and Shanghai. Dec. 7. Shanghai and Swatow. Dec. 7. Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 10th November). Dec. 8.

Canton. Dec. 8. Shanghai. Dec. 8. Straits and Saigon. Dec. 8.

U.S.A. and Manila (San Francisco date, 11th Nov.). Dec. 9. Formosa and Swatow. Dec. 9.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 2nd Dec. Dec. 10.

Calcutta and Straits. Dec. 10. Hainan, Hainan and Fort Bayard. Dec. 10.

Sandakan. Dec. 10. Shanghai and Amoy. Dec. 10. Japan and Shanghai. Dec. 11.

Manila. Dec. 11. Shanghai and Amoy. Dec. 11. Straits. Dec. 11.

Norfolk and Manila. Dec. 12. Java and Manila. Dec. 12. Shanghai. Dec. 12.

Straits. Dec. 12. Canton. Dec. 13. Shanghai. Dec. 13.

Straits. Dec. 13. Japan and Shanghai. Dec. 14. Straits. Dec. 14.

Calcutta, Straits and Saigon. Dec. 15. Japan. Dec. 15.

Straits. Dec. 15. U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 10th Nov.). Dec. 15.

Manila. Dec. 15. Japan and Shanghai. Dec. 16.

OUTWARD MAILS

Fort Bayard. Thursday, Dec. 7. 1.30 p.m. Manila, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourdes-Marques and South Africa. 3.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt, Europe, via Marselles—due Marselles, 5th Jan. 1940, and London Parcels—due London, 11th January 1940. K.P.O.

Parcels. Dec. 7, 3 p.m. Reg. Dec. 7, 5 p.m. Ord. Dec. 7, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O.

Parcels. Dec. 7, 3 p.m. Reg. Dec. 7, 5 p.m. Ord. Dec. 7, 7 p.m. Amoy. Dec. 7, 7.00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8.

Japan. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Tourane. Dec. 1.30 p.m. Saigon. Dec. 2.00 p.m. Manila. Dec. 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9.

Saigon. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Shanghai. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Canton. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 17th December. G. P. O. and K. P. O.

Reg. Dec. 9, 5 p.m. Ord. Dec. 9, 5.30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10.

Amoy. Dec. 9 a.m. Hainan. Monday, Dec. 11.

Bangkok. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin. Dec. 10.30 a.m. Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin. Dec. 1.30 p.m. Canton. Dec. 2.30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12.

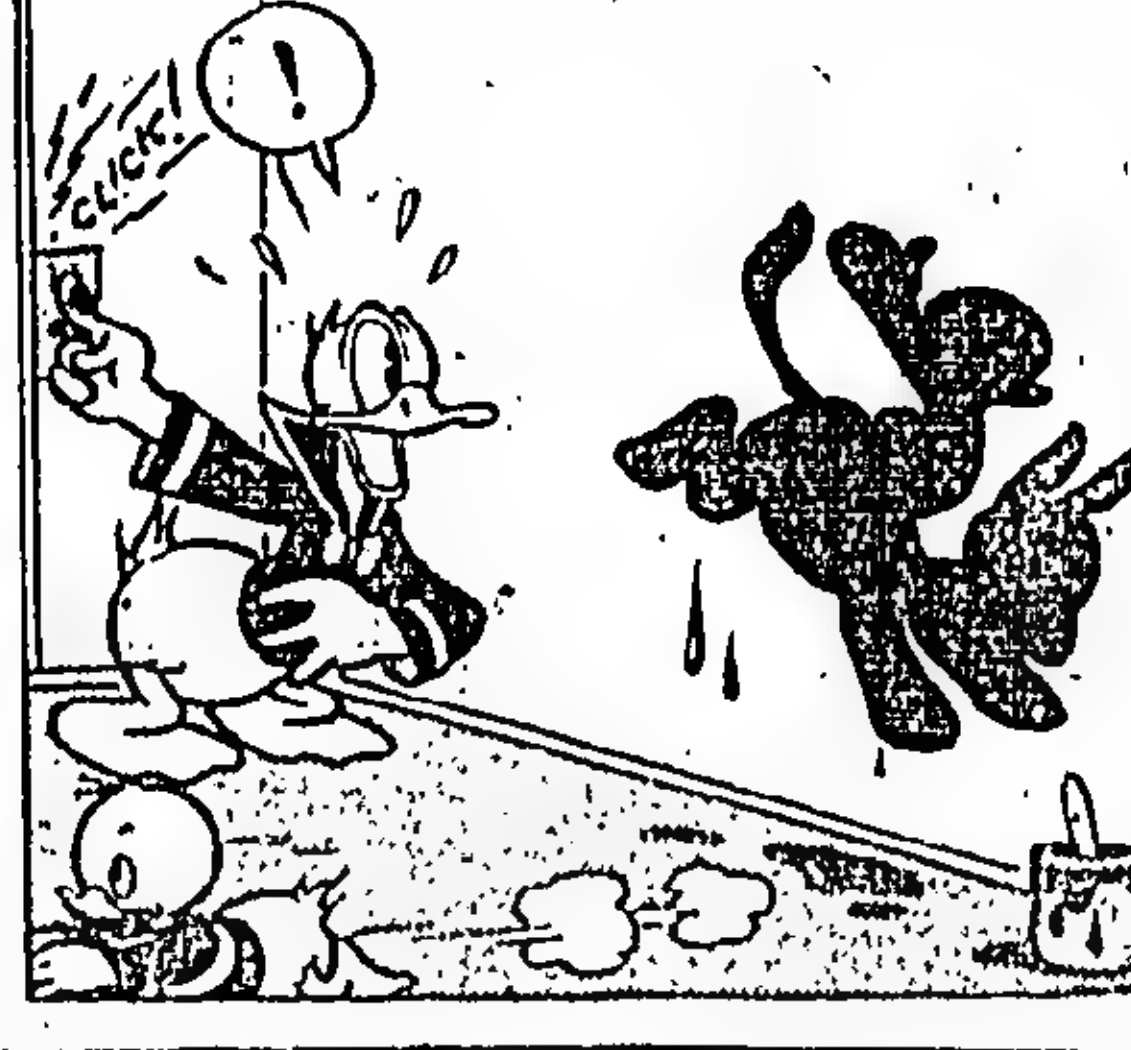
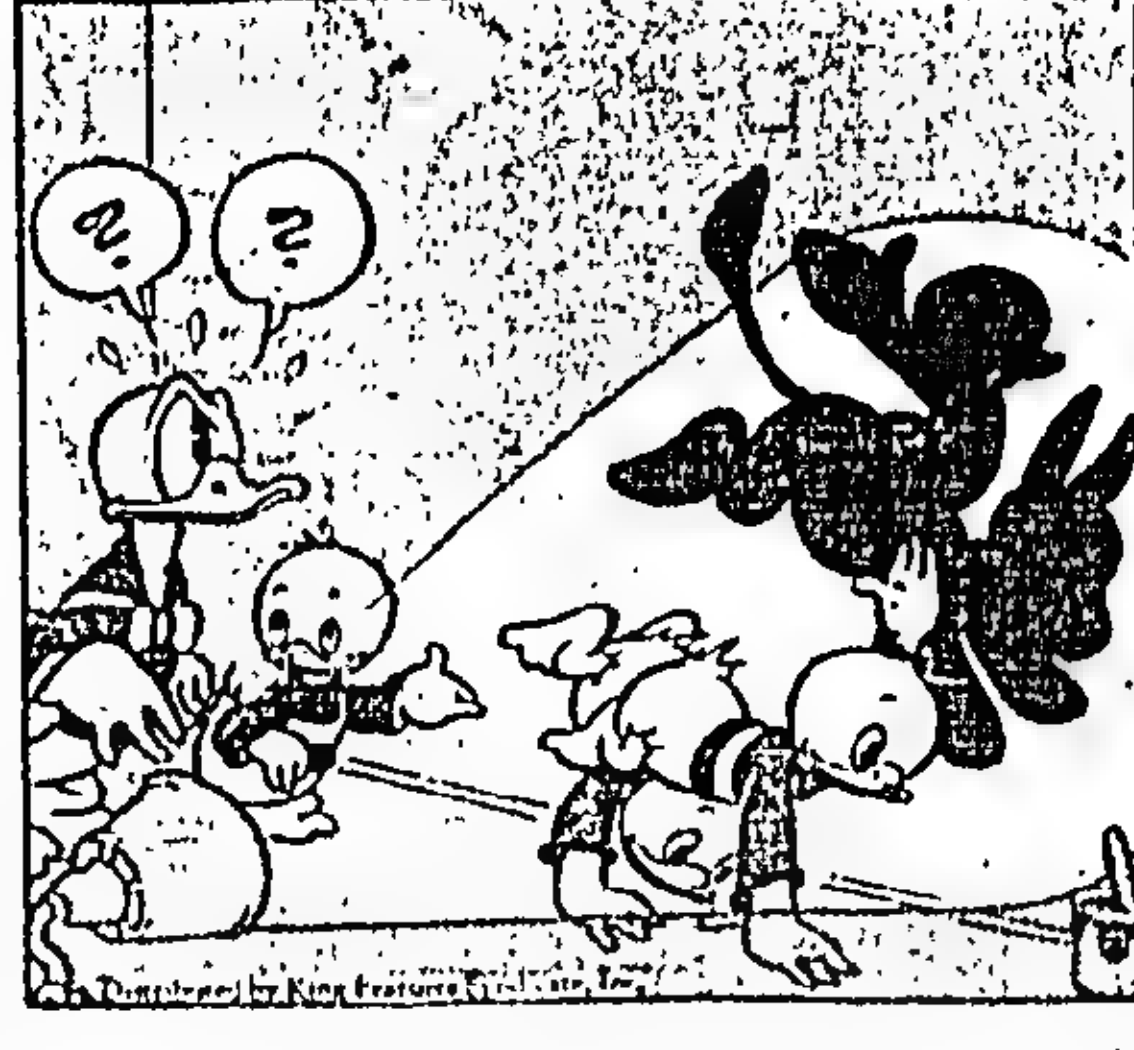
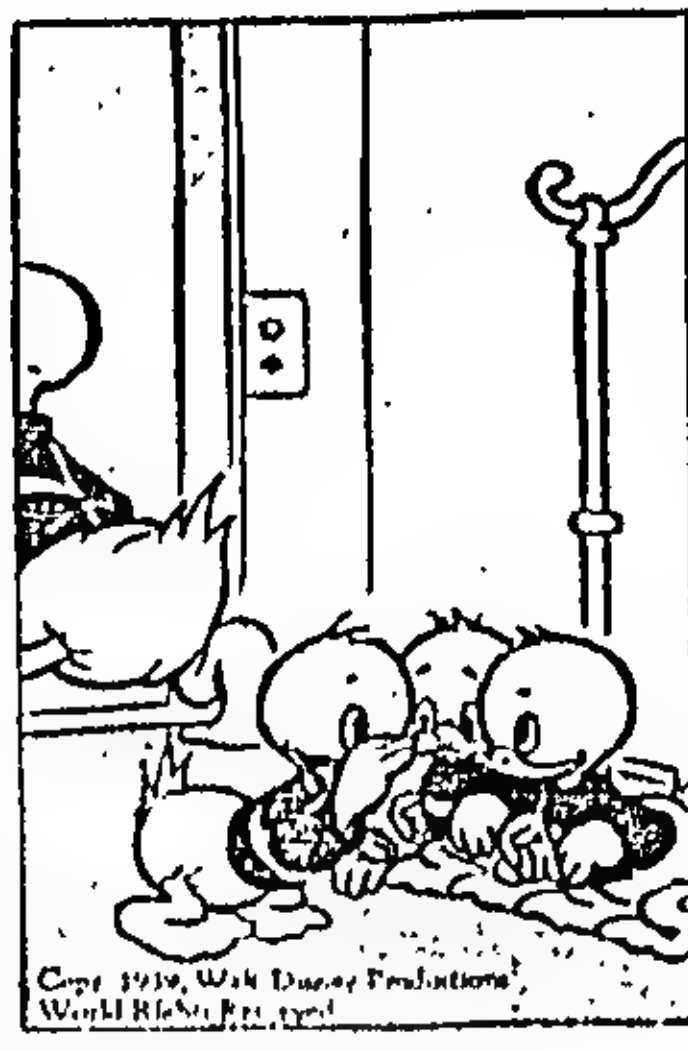
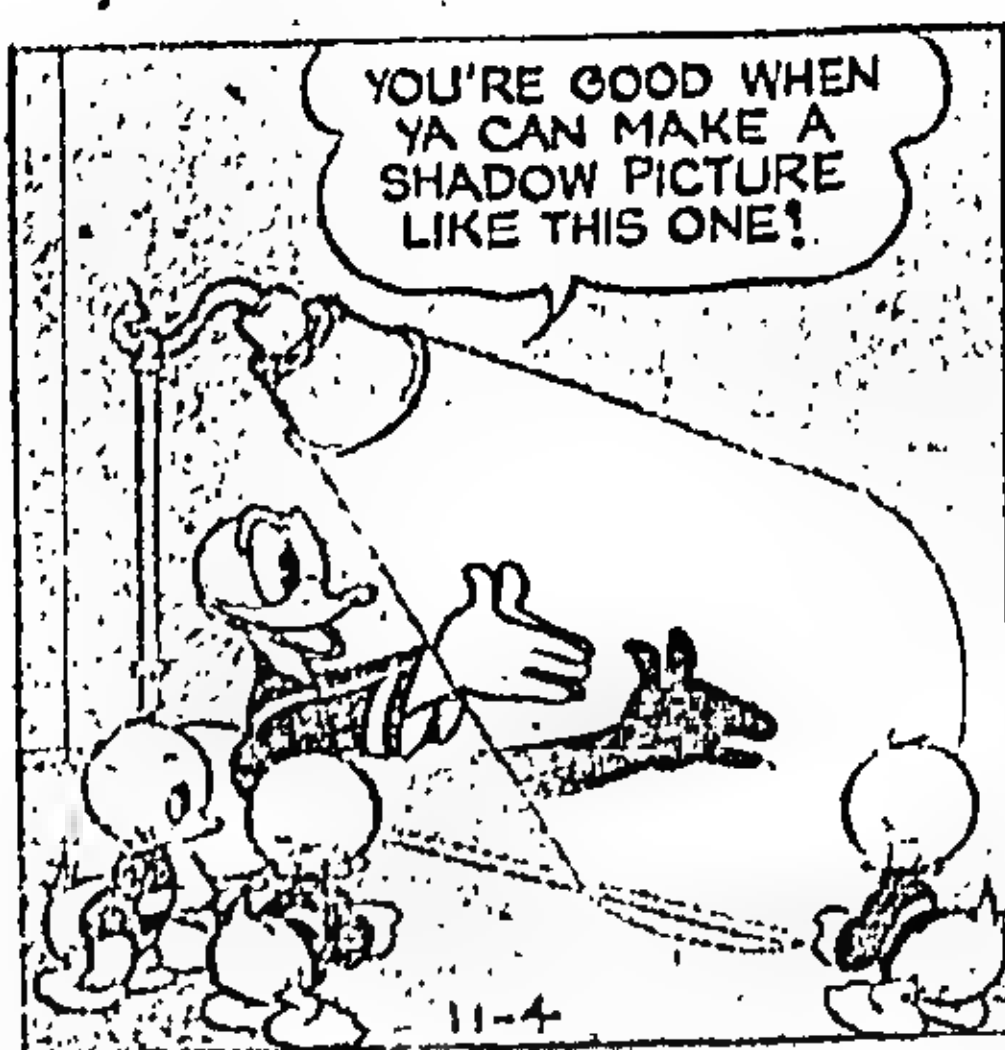
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TORTURER OF GIRLS TO DIE

THOMAS Cochran, who posed as a Hollywood talent scout in order to lure two girls to a Florida swamp, has been sentenced to die in the electric chair.

Cochran was convicted at Miami, Florida, of the murder of one of the girls, Ruth Dunn, a 17-years-old dancer, whom he bound, naked, to a tree and stabbed to death.

Saying he wanted to give the two girls a film test, Cochran lured them to a lonely cottage.

There he forced the girls to strip, bound them to trees, and tortured them.

The second girl, Jean Colton, a night club dancer, he released.

Lynching Fears

She arrived hysterical and in a state of collapse at a neighbouring village and gave the alarm.

A few hours later Cochran was arrested and had to be secretly moved to another prison to avoid angry crowds seeking to lynch him.

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WASHINGTON. Europe's present war is costing the British-French-German belligerents possibly \$20,000,000 daily in current cash outlay alone. The figure is neither official nor exact but merely an estimate made here to-day from the best available information.

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Plane Landed Crew, Sank Ship, Then Dodged

U-BOAT KNEW ALL ABOUT VOYAGE

DINGLE (Co. Kerry).—Before landing a Greek crew on the coast of Eire, the German submarine commander who sank their steamer, the Diamantis, told the sailors that he knew the exact time the ship left her South African port, her speed, the nature of her cargo and its destination.

The Diamantis (4,990 tons) was sunk 60 miles south of Land's End. After 30 hours aboard the submarine, which dived on the appearance of a British plane, the crew of 28 were landed on the rocks at Ballymore, a village three miles west of Dingle, on the south-west coast of Eire.

The submarine came within 40 yards of the rocks. The Greek crew lowered a small boat and four members of the Greek crew were rowed to the rocks.

They landed, and the little boat pulled back to the submarine and repeated the process seven times, until all the Greeks were safely ashore.

These operations were watched by about 30 villagers, who had been attracted by the sight of a strange craft entering the harbour.

Just after the last of the Greek crew had been landed, Superintendent O'Leary, a sergeant and two civil guards arrived on the scene, in time to see the submarine go slowly out of the harbour, until it was enveloped in mist.

Waved Farewell

"The Greek crew," he said, "waved to the crew of the submarine before it left, and the submarine crew waved back."

Members of the crew described how the submarine came alongside and the commander ordered them to take to their boats. They attempted to do so, but one of their two boats was smashed against the side of the vessel.

When they were all safely aboard the submarine their own vessel was sunk.

On arrival in Dublin on their way to London, Captain Panagos and his crew found waiting to greet them sailors of the sister ship Pantelis, which by a coincidence is at present lying in the port of Dublin.

Both crews came from the port of Olinissus, in Greece. They called out Christian names, embracing and kissing as they met.

Dodged Plane

In excited voices the crew of the sunken steamer told of other experiences.

They said that after the ship had sunk, and while the submarine was still on the surface, a British plane appeared and the submarine dived immediately.

She did not again come to the surface until she appeared off the Irish coast.

Captain Panagos said of the U-boat commander and his crew:

"When they ate we ate, and what they had they gave us. We got plenty of cheese, milk and cigars. Some of the crew had got their clothes wet, and they were given bunks to sleep in while their clothes were drying."

"Very young, very nice," was the tribute to the submarine commander paid by another member of the crew who talked broken English.

It is authoritatively learned in Dublin that the incursion of the German submarine into Irish territorial waters, being exclusively for the purpose of landing a shipwrecked crew, is not in contravention of international law and usage.

Girls Helped

The Greek sailors will long remember the kindness of two Irish girls, Bridget Cleary (25) and her sister, Eileen (27), of Courtham Farmhouse, Ballymore.

Bridget said: "My brother Owen rushed in to say that there was a submarine in Ventry Harbour."

"With Thomas, another brother, I ran across the fields and climbed down to the rocks."

"The submarine was only a little way out, and as we arrived a small boat containing five men was approaching the rocks."

"One of the men threw a rope. Owen caught it, and together we pulled the boat in. The first man to climb out said he was the captain of a Greek steamer, and that his ship had been sunk by the submarine."

"Then I took the captain and three of the men back to the farm, and I waited on the rocks while the

small German boat made seven journeys between the submarine and the shore. Each time the same German sailor did the rowing.

"As each party arrived I sent them back to the farm with a boy and a guide."

Eileen, Bridget's sister, said: "When Thomas brought the captain and three sailors to the farm I asked them if they would like a nice hot cup of tea and some cake and bread and butter."

"Old Irish Custom"

"The captain said they would love it, and in about half an hour the whole crew of 28 were packed in the living room."

"Some of them said they were sorry to leave the submarine."

"When they left those who could speak English said they would never forget how kind we had been. We said hospitality was an old Irish custom."

Superintendent O'Leary said that as soon as he heard about the submarine he and a party of Civil Guards rushed by car to the scene.

"When we arrived," he said, "the submarine was slowly leaving. It disappeared in the mist."

HITLER'S DILEMMA UNDER PRESSURE

(Continued from Page 4.)

potent factor which compels Hitler to seek by all means to stop the war. There are others, both external and internal.

UNDER the Italo-German military alliance of last March Italy acquired the right to be consulted by Germany on future operations to be undertaken by the Axis. Though late in the day, she managed to assert this right in July.

Wounded and exhausted by two campaigns within the past four years, Italy had neither the heart nor the means for embarking on fresh adventures. Nor could she identify herself with a campaign against a friendly country, previously German objectives. Hitler brushed aside all Italian objections, demanding support for the Axis. His call was disregarded. Again, recently he called for a demonstration of Axis solidarity by the proposal, or public support, of "a peace plan," and was, in a politically astute move, firmly informed that there could be no such demonstration.

The anti-Communist Axis had been shattered by its own chief architect.

Even Gen. Franco's known admiration for Germany, his profound belief in the new alignment of Nazi policy. Since Portugal is pursuing a policy of neutrality in complete agreement with her old ally, Britain, Germany can look for no further help from the Peninsula.

On her frontiers which march with neutral States Germany is confronted by considerable armies, all intent on defending their neutrality. Where, then, is the impressive victory to be won?

SO far Hitler has failed to secure those additional sources of wood and wheat, oil and iron which he so urgently needs. In these circumstances it is understandable that the Scandinavian countries should feel that the predatory German eye has been turned upon them; many even have wondered whether Germany was not seeking to pick a quarrel with them. From the development of events in Scandinavia it should be possible to judge more accurately how far there exists between Berlin and Moscow any agreement to work in concert for exploitation of neutral States. But here again Hitler must have grave doubts when he contemplates the role of his new partner.

Finally, he must take into account the state of affairs on the home front. The German people, overworked, under-paid and under-fed. Repression by the Gestapo has induced a marked lethargy. Thousands languish in concentration camps. Persecution for religious

Prisoners Questioned

PARIS.—Two fair-haired young German airmen were taken before the Deuxieme Bureau (Intelligence) officers at a French Army headquarters one day recently.

Their big black Messerschmitt plane was one of the 12 brought down by French fighters in the biggest air battle of the war, and they were taken prisoner after jumping in parachutes from 15,000ft. Now they were facing the usual interrogation.

The first to enter the simply furnished question room was obviously nervous.

Point by point the French officer dealt with his military career and then said to him: "You fought in Poland, didn't you?"

The young officer blushed a deep red and nodded his head. He did not seem anxious to admit that he had taken part in a campaign such as that carried out by the German Air Force in Poland.

Refused To Speak

Then a sergeant-major brought up voice-recording apparatus and handed the prisoner a microphone.

He refused to speak into it until it was explained to him that his statement would make it possible to convey the fact that he was safe to his family in Germany. Then he quickly took the microphone.

Next came a young sub-lieutenant. Unlike the first prisoner, his face revealed no anxiety. Smilingly he accepted a chair which was offered him.

"After doing manual work of different kinds I joined the German Air Force," he said. "I have been an officer in the Air Force for six years. I have done more than 1,000 flying hours."

The French officer began discussing certain military matters, but the officer replied: "I'm sorry, I am unable to reply to these questions."

He was at a loss to explain Hitler's reason for fighting. He could not explain why his Fuehrer had decided to fight Poland when he could have achieved convincing results by maintaining peace.

After he had made a statement into the microphone he bowed to the French officer and said: "I thank you."

He had divided the country against itself. To these dissident elements within the frontiers of the Reich proper Hitler has now added great blocks of population in Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

Considerable armies, both military and police, must be subtracted from the German military striking force to prevent insurrection in many of these areas.

Hitler boasts that he confronts the world with 82,000,000 Germans. When the Central Powers went to war in 1914 their populations exceeded 90,000,000. Behind them was a record of plenty and prosperity. Their armies were trained from top to bottom. Their equipment was of the finest material. Yet they were defeated.

ON Jan. 30 last Hitler told the Reichstag that Germany must export or die. How are these exports to be maintained during war, and where are the countries ready to accept German manufactured goods whose quality, even before war broke out, had so deteriorated as to be losing Germany her markets all over the world?

How is she now to replace the worn-out capital equipment in the factories from which these inferior products were being turned out? The problem becomes increasingly serious for her.

All expert opinion, both military and economic, in Germany has long been agreed that the Germany of to-day could not face a long war. Can she win a short one? That must be the first burning question which confronts her leaders. Should she fall mid-way between the two, with National Socialism always approximating more closely to National Bolshevism, who will be the ultimate rulers of a disintegrating Germany? Not Hitler.

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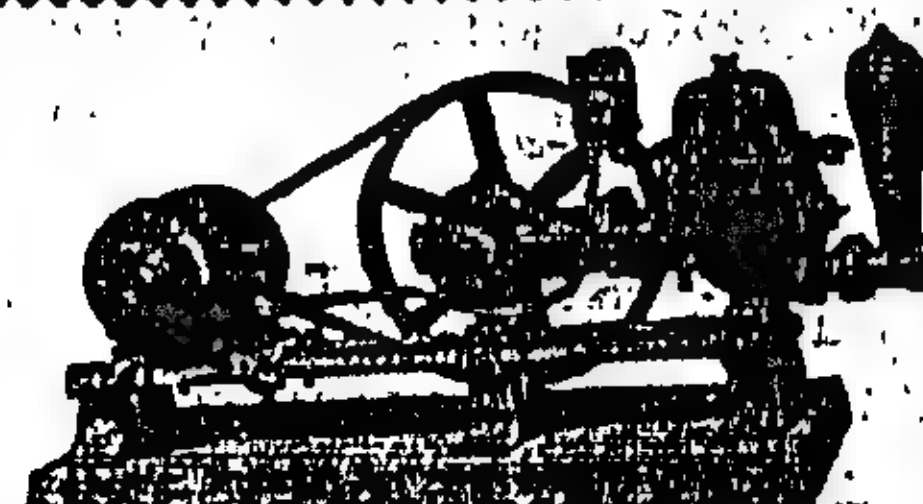
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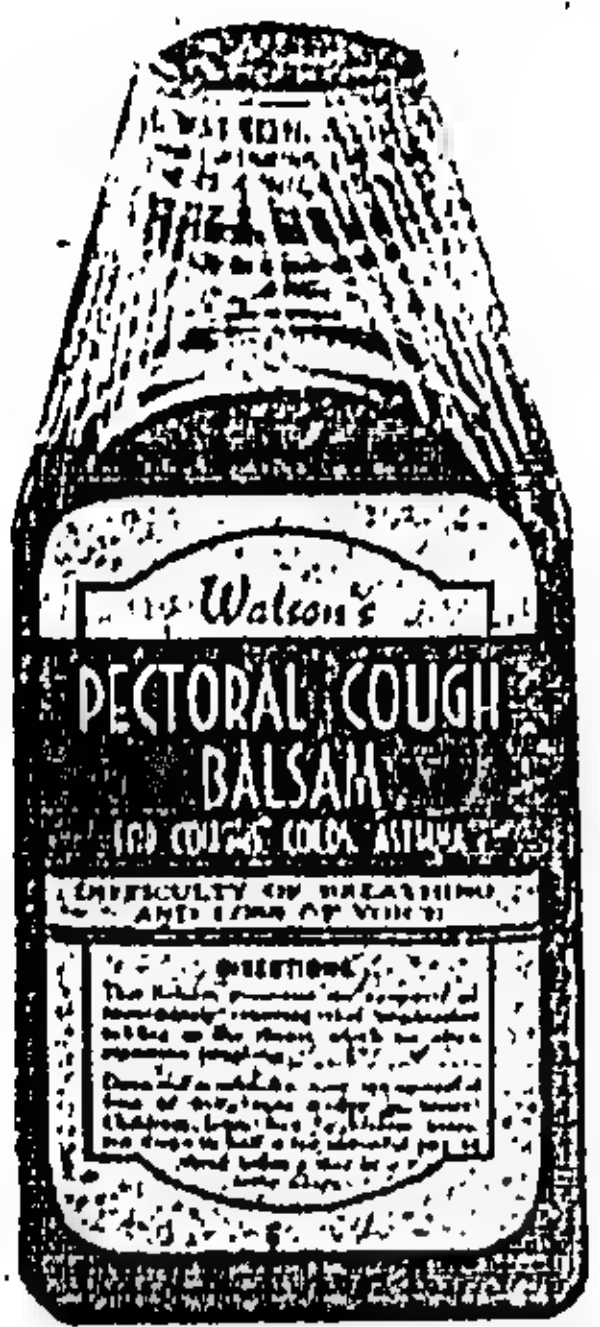
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Chaos In Civilisation

THE depths of impotence to
which member nations have dragged
the League of Nations is no better
exemplified than by the Russian
invasion of Finland. For Soviet
Russia this year was President of
the League of Nations—the highest
League post which any member-
nation could attain.But may not the fantastic situa-
tion which has arisen in the world,
where three groups of rival nations
are at war, lead to a revivification
of Geneva? It can be done—if the
world will only give Geneva the
chance to carry out its charter.World horror at the Red aggres-
sion against the tiny Finnish Re-
public is greater than that caused
by any act of aggression in the past.
The League still has many sup-
porters. Most of them are small
countries, boasting of no armaments
or, war-like means to check aggres-
sors. But unity is strength. The
unity of a dozen small countries can
smash, by economic means, any but
the strongest of the big Powers.Finland, indeed, has shown the
smaller countries what resistance to
aggression can accomplish. The
firm attitude adopted by that tiny
country, which fights a fore-doomed
battle, has aroused the admiration of
the peoples of democracies and
totalitarians alike. The Finns have
dug in their heels and let it be
known that in no circumstances will
they give way to unjustifiable
aggression.Their morale will be strengthened
by the vigorous support which is
coming from other small nations.
The Argentine's demand for a
League boycott of Russia is a step
in the right direction. Russia can
no more stand the concerted blockade
of the world's small countries—a
blockade which could be accomplish-
ed without navies or air forces—
than can Germany stand the blockade
imposed by the navies of France and
Great Britain.It is early to prophesy. Finland,
unhappily, will almost certainly be
overrun, for she lacks the man-
power of the Soviet. Whatever the
outcome of the Finnish adventure,
however, the country likely to suffer
most after Finland is Germany.
Russia is quite evidently consolidat-
ing her position in the Baltic vis-a-vis
Germany, and intends to be in a
position to resist any now Hitlerian
eastward impulse.The FUEHRER: Make that shell-burst look more real or I don't go on.
Hitler has again postponed his visit to the Western Front.**HITLER'S DILEMMA**
UNDER PRESSUREHITLER to-day stands at the
supreme crisis of his
strange, meteoric career. On
his next decision hangs some-
thing not less important to him
than the future of Germany.
His own future and that of his
regime are at stake.By gross miscalculation and
bungling diplomacy he has faced
himself with Hobson's choice.
Either he must capitulate and
accept peace on such terms as
the world may impose or he
must fling the whole of his re-
sources into a single gigantic
effort to break the Allied re-
sistance.The hesitations of Berlin during
the past fortnight suggest that
the Nazi leaders are alive to all the
implications of their dilemma. Divided
council can be deduced from the
confused and contradictory state-
ments which pour out of the
German Capital. How could it be
otherwise?It was the essence of the Hitler
plan for 1939 that the Eastern
objectives should be gained without
engaging Germany in war with the
Western Powers. Even at the mo-
ment it is conceivable that the arch-
strategist still clings to a belief that
the war can be stopped and his mes-
sage gains conserved. But if such
hope persists it has by now become
very slender.We may recall his oft-repeated
boast, "If they oppose me I shall
crush them." This probably pro-
vides the clue to Hitler's impulse
to-day. But does he retain un-
diminished his powers of absolute
control? When a country is at war
the influence of the fighting chiefs
is increased, and there are reports
that the German General Staff has
lost something of the confidence it
might have felt two months ago.Clearly the Service Departments
have developed a supreme contempt
for the Party's handling of German
diplomacy. It could hardly be
otherwise, for within two months
Ribbentrop has succeeded, in con-
sequence of their engagement, in im-
posing a situation of some promise
into one which must appear grimly
barren.At the end of July the Reich, on
paper, could count on support from
Italy and Spain, with Japan making
an effective diversion in the Far
East. Nor was it certain that other
European States, impressed by an
appearance of Axis superiority,
might not throw in their lot with the
Central Power. To-day Germany
stands alone, without one real
friend.The nightmare of the old German
General Staff is realised—Germany,
without allies, committed to war
against a coalition of unknown pro-
portions.REALISING, too late, that the
Western Powers would fight in
pursuit of their engagements, Rib-
bentrop was despatched to Moscow
to negotiate the terms for Soviet
neutrality. And it is the mark of
Germany's weakness and anxiety
that he should have paid so heavy a
price to Moscow.In Poland he has conceded to
Russia a good strategic frontier in
place of a bad one. Germany, on
the other hand, has been obliged to
assume responsibility for 20,250,000
bitterly hostile people leavened only
by some 750,000 persons with racial
affinities towards the new rulers.In the Baltic the Nazi diplomats
have abandoned all hope of expan-
sion north of East Prussia and have
surrendered to Russia all the ports
north of Memel, which itself mayalso have to be handed back to
Lithuania.A few weeks before the outbreak
of war German admirals were ex-
plaining that the functions of the
German Fleet would be to maintain
undisputed supremacy in the Baltic.
To-day the Nazis have conceded
three-quarters of the Baltic to Rus-
sia and have entrusted to Russian
keeping the sea routes by which
Germany receives vital imports of
raw materials from Sweden and
Finland.Finally they have allowed Russia
to become the arbiter of the extent
to which they can pursue their
dream of domination over the Bal-
kans. No longer can the boast be
upheld that Germany will extend her
frontiers to embrace all areas con-
taining German minorities. Instead,
at Russia's behest, those minorities
are being hurriedly recalled; forced
to abandon their homes and posses-
sions to start a new life in the
Reich.Now Stalin achieves one more of
the objectives for which he strug-
gled during the long-drawn-out
negotiations this year with Franceand Britain. He then spoke of the
dangers of "indirect aggression"
hinting that German minorities in
the Baltic States were preparing the
way for German operations aimed
against Russia. Britain and France
declined to give him a blank cheque
to act as he thought necessary to
guard against this danger. But, taking
a leaf from Hitler's book on technique,
Stalin has imposed his will on the
Baltic States and, in the same mo-
ment, has compelled Germany to re-
nounce all vestige of excuse for
"staging a come-back" later.By establishing a common Russo-
German frontier, under the
superficial cover of friendly rela-
tions, Stalin has facilitated Bolsh-
evik political penetration of the
German territories. At the same
time he has allowed Hitler to con-
vert Germany into the second largest
Slav State in Europe. To remove
the obvious dangers thus created for
Germany Hitler will have to negoti-
ate population transfers on a hitherto
unprecedented scale.

Reverses have thus been imposed

on a weak Germany by Russia, be-
cause Germany is at war and is not
Poland, has enabled Stalin to re-
build the Imperial Russia of the
Tsars without the loss of a single
man or the firing of a shot.Writing on this page a few days
ago, Mr. H. C. Bailey examined the
potential material aid which Russia
could give to Germany, and con-
cluded that, in the immediate future,
this would be of little value. None
the less, there are those who hold
that Russia does not wish to see
Germany collapse before the Allies
and, with this in mind, may render
her such help as is possible.Conversely, a victorious Ger-
many, if not too weakened in the
struggle, might again face but to
redress the disadvantages she has
suffered at Russia's hands.It is probably a safe assumption,
therefore, that the policy of the
Kremlin will be to let the extent of
its aid, or intervention, be condi-
tioned by the actual course of hos-
tilities. Here, then, is another
PLEASE Turn To Page 3.**WINTERS THAT CHANGED
DESTINIES OF NATIONS**

By Frank Robertson

ONE of the things that
people have missed in
England and France, and Ger-
many as well for that matter,
since the outbreak of war has
been the familiar voice of the
announcer reading out the
weather forecast.The reason is that in these days
when wars are fought as much in
the air as on land and sea, it is vital
that information about the weather
should be kept from the enemy.
Weather forecasts in modern war-
fare are valuable State secrets.This was not realised until the last
Great War, and it is said that the
meteorologist who volunteered to
help the British Expeditionary Force
in 1914 had his offer rejected by the
staff, who refused to take his propo-
sition seriously, and who asked him
whether he thought that the army
put up umbrellas whenever it
rained! After all perhaps General
Staffs were not so wise in the
opening days of the Great War as
were the generals of ancient Rome,
who never began a battle until their
augurs, the meteorologists of those
days, had carefully studied the
weather signs from the nearest hill.
They were wiser than they knew—
for there are many instances of how
such blind forces as a sudden change
of wind or an unexpected fall of
rain, the premature arrival of
winter, an unusually sharp frost,
have helped to change the course of
history.ONE striking example of this
occurred in 1917 and resulted in
the smashing of the German Zepp-
pelin fleet, after which the enemy no
longer played any faith in those
disturbances. On the night of October
19-20 thirteen zeppelins started for
England and nine of them got over
London and dropped some bombs.
Then an unexpected depression de-
veloped over the Atlantic and light
westerly winds were blown over
France and had to descend out of a
fog to discover their position. Four
were brought down and the flagship
captured intact.Weather forecasts are also valu-
able in land warfare, since an offen-
sive like that of the Passchendaele,
carried out in bad weather will un-
doubtedly fail. That makes us come
to be one of ill-omen, for the water-
logged land of Flanders made rapid
movement almost impossible. On
the other hand the Germans were
more fortunate about six months
later, for a mist covered their attack
on March 1918, enabling them to
effect a surprise, and the Allies were
driven back for a considerable dis-
tance.A STRIKING instance of the part
played by frost in the history of
the world is seen in the French re-
volutionary war against Holland in
the winter of 1794-95, which was
very severe. The Dutch had hoped
that their fleet would make the pos-
sition of the invader intolerable, but
nature took a hand. The French
General was able to march his troops
across the frozen rivers Maas and
Waal, and it captured the whole of
the Dutch navy lying in the harbour.
His decision to make the attempt,
to a large extent, was influenced by
the famous weather forecast of
Disjoulon, who during his long im-
prisonment in Utrecht, had studied
the spiders, and had found that they
were excellent weather prophets.Weather played a decisive part in
Napoleon's defeat in Russia, although
he consulted in meteorologists in-
stead of spiders. The French leader
planned his march upon detailed
information given him regarding the
climate of Russia. Unfortunately
for his plans, the winter set in earlier
and was more severe than usual.
Then came a sudden thaw, which
turned the roads into marshes and
melted the ice, and the whole of
Napoleon's great army melted away
too at the hands of Nature and the
Russian raiders.THE Dardanelles campaign in 1918
provided another instance of
weather playing a large part in
a campaign at sea. It is said that this
was the worst blow the weather dealt
the Allies during the last Great War,
and British warships tried to force the
straits, and the move almost suc-ceeded, when a four day gale set in
and the ships were forced to run for
the open sea. This ruined all
chances of surprise and gave the
Turks a chance to strengthen their
fortifications. After landings had
been effected bad weather still dog-
ged the Allied troops, and terrible
heat in November, followed by awe-
ful cold and a blizzard that raged
for three days incapacitated 3,000
men. Evacuation was imperative,
and this was carried out safely.
Hardly had the last foothold been
relinquished than a fierce gale broke.
Thus at the end the weather was
kind, for had this gale taken place
during embarkation losses would
have been heavy.These examples prove how much
weather affects campaigns on sea,
in the air and on land. Therefore,
every effort is made to keep the
weather conditions of every warring
country a secret. It might be sug-
gested that this scheme has both
ways, as both sides are likewise
affected. In the case of Germany
and Great Britain this is not so how-
ever. England is more fully in-
formed about the weather over Ger-
many than the Germans are about
that over England. The reason is
that the greater part of English
weather comes from the Atlantic
and it moves from France and Bri-
tain across Germany.EVERY day hundreds of reports
are received from all over the
northern hemisphere, and from ships
in the Atlantic, which enable
meteorologists to forecast British and
French weather. Similarly, these
reports help the British to get cor-
rect forecasts of the weather over
Germany. Weather experts in Ger-
many are unable to get forecasts of
weather over the British Isles and
they try to make up for this de-
ficiency by using radio messages
from ships at sea and from Neutral
countries. From 1914-18 Norwegian
meteorologists worked out some
principles of weather forecasting
which they used when debarrad
from using ordinary reports. But
these are not nearly accurate for the
needs of the fighting states.Weather, therefore, plays almost
as great a part in winning wars as
does economic power, morale, and
of course armies and navies and air
forces.

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**HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE**



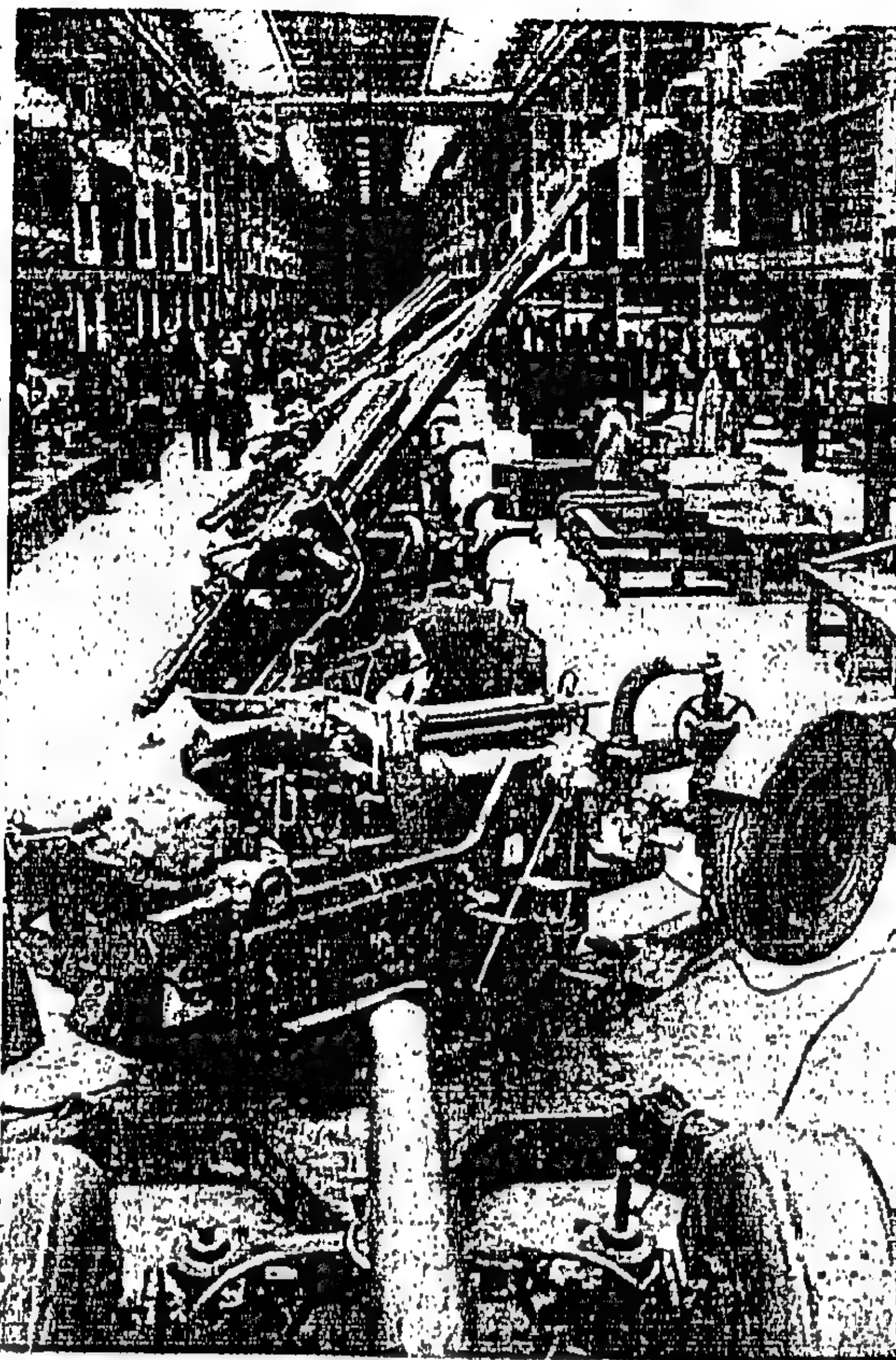
The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, paid a flying visit to British General Headquarters after his recent visit to Paris. The above photograph was taken in the drawing room of a French chateau when the First Lord and Viscount Gort were discussing the situation whilst Lieut. Gen. Pownall stood nearby.



Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, discussing plans with Viscount Gort, the Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force, during his flying visit to the British General Headquarters in France.



Land, air and sea chiefs on their way to No. 10, Downing Street. Left to right: General Sir Edmund Ironside, Air Chief-Marshal Sir Cyril Newall and Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound.



Assembling anti-aircraft guns in an Armaments factory somewhere in Britain.



A British soldier in France partially hidden in the undergrowth ready to use his gun in any emergency.

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**STOCK MARKET
REPORT**

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Yesterday's pace has slackened slightly, possibly owing to the short session. At the same time there is no easing in price levels.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,330
Bank of East Asia \$71
Canton Ins. \$200
Douglas \$70
Docks \$10
Providents \$420
H. and S. Hotels \$4.65
Chinese Estates \$100
Tramways \$10.25
Peak Trans (Old) \$7.00
Peak Trans (New) \$3.00
Star Ferries \$20.5
Framlin Ferries \$23
Electric \$21.5
Sundank Lights \$11.5
Telephones (Old) \$2
Telephones (New) \$7.5
Cement \$15.5
Irope \$2.5
Dairy Farms (Old) \$20
Dairy Farms (New) \$19.5
Watsons \$2.5
Entertainments \$0.5
Fires Ins. \$100
Cement \$15.5
Dairy Farms (Old) \$20.5
Watsons \$2.5

Sales
H.K. Bank \$1,330
Docks \$10
Watsons \$2.5
H.K. Government \$147.5
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Coco Grove 10
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**A Look Through
The "Telegraph"**

50 YEARS AGO

King Humbert, opening the Italian Parliament, said that peace appears assured, thanks to the concert of the Powers. Certain questions, however, still remain unsettled, and it was unnecessary, therefore, to strengthen the Army and Navy without unduly weighing the Budget.

25 YEARS AGO

"Reuters" correspondent at Lisbon states that a semi-official note issued today announces that, in view of the imminent possibility of the participation of Portugal in the war, it has been suggested that a coalition cabinet, in which all the party leaders should be included, should be formed.

The German Governor of Brussels has demanded from Belgium a monthly payment of 35 million francs towards the upkeep of the army of occupation in that country, and a war indemnity of 375 million francs.

The rebel De Wet, the chief leader of the rebellion in South Africa, has been surrounded and captured by the commands of 52 men, at Waterburg, by Commander Birt.

The many friends of Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, partner in Messrs. Carnichael and Clarke, will be interested to hear that he has volunteered for active service. He went home in May last for a year's holiday, but in September he joined a Corps of Engineers formed from the Institutes of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical and Marine Engineers. This Corps, about 600 strong, has been under training at Deal, and they expect to proceed to the Front early in December.

10 YEARS AGO

The situation in Canton is growing more and more tense. The usual number of wild rumours are circulating, and it is very difficult to arrive at true facts. Opinion remains very divided, although many people believe that the Cantonese forces, and the Northern troops, are quite strong enough to defend Canton against the attacks of the Ironsides and Kwangsi forces.

Latest information regarding the operations of anti-Government forces in the region of Ichang includes a report that the National troops sent to quell the rebels have been defeated, and that the rebellious forces are advancing on Ichang.

Preparations have in the meantime been made to withdraw the British, American and Japanese residents from Ichang in case the necessity arises.

Hongkong's first radio exhibition was opened at the City Hall last evening by the Hon. Mr. T. Southern, C.M.G., who outlined the Government's policy on broadcasting and expressed confidence in the growth of radio interest in the Colony.

Whilst there will be certain distinct advantages arising out of the resumption of relations between Britain and Russia, the importance and value of which should not be overlooked, we cannot say that we are altogether impressed by the Government's hope that it will be possible to stamp out Bolshevik propaganda in various parts of the British Empire.

Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford—the World's Sweetheart and her husband—arrived in Hongkong on board the Rimpitan yesterday afternoon, on their Far East holiday cruise, and were accorded an enthusiastic reception by a large band of admirers.

5 YEARS AGO

The Military Collegium, Supreme Court of the Soviet Union, sentenced 21 alleged "anti-revolutionists" in Leningrad and 29 in Moscow. They were all condemned to death and were shot within a few hours of the passing of the sentence.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Lord Privy Seal of England, and Baron Aldrich, famous Italian diplomat, the representatives of their respective Governments on the Saar Plebiscite Commission of the League of Nations, have announced that Britain and Italy are ready to send troops into the Saar to prevent disorders.

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Mrs. Jay O'Brien, New York socialite, helps create a fashion
for Chinese costume jewellery for the benefit of Mme. Chiang
Kai-Shek's War Orphans' Fund. The necklace is a triumph of
golden circles containing medallions bearing the Chinese "good
luck" symbol with matching earrings.

Chinese Jewellery Worn To Aid War Orphan Fund

BY ELEANOR GUNN

NEW YORK—During war times there is always a drive of
some sort in progress. At the moment it is directed toward,
and for, the restoration of China and Chinese jewellery, which
fits in very well with current scene.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., heavy and antique and often the
started this movement as a means of
aiding Mme. Chiang Kai-shek's
Chinese War Orphans' Fund. With
ancient Chinese good luck and pros-
perity charms as the motifs, Mrs.
Roosevelt had a costume jeweller
create a collection of necklaces,
earrings, brooches and bracelets to be
sold for the benefit of the fund, and
then set out to make the jewellery
smart by enlisting the most famous
"fashion plates" in New York society,
the movies and the stage to select
and wear it as their favourite
jewellery of the season.

AWAY WITH DICTATORS!

With Elsa Maxwell in the familiar
role of hostess, the jewellery was
given a debut party. "It's time all
this nonsense about fashion dictators
was deleted anyway," said Elsa
Maxwell. "One smart woman who
leads an interesting life absorbs as
much fashion knowledge as any two
fashion designers. Why shouldn't
she have some say in the season's
styles?"

At this party Mrs. Nicholas Long-
worth described the new craze as
evidence that women want a reason
for adopting new styles. "We know
instinctively that wearing new clothes
bucks up our spirits," she said. "But
add to that a righteous reason for
buying something new, and you've
got a surefire argument in favor of
any new style!"

It seems just the right moment to
launch, or revive, these picturesque
earrings, all of which are heavy,
Chinese pieces. Indeed, even with-
out "the righteous reason," they
would be sure to go over, since the
whole jewellery trend is toward the
earrings.

JADE IN VOGUE

Jade is entirely sympathetic with
most colours now in vogue. It is,
by the way, particularly lovely when
combined with coral; and coral, as
you know, is one of the best beloved
of the old-fashioned pieces.
Bracelets being bigger and better
than ever, wouldn't you know that
they would influence sleeve lengths?
Bracelet-length sleeves have de-
finitely answered the question as to
how the public would feel about
"longer sleeves." Young girls are
wearing these between-elbow-and-
wrist lengths with apparently as
much satisfaction as they wear the
very short ones that were supposed to
be the only sleeve that was
"youthful" enough for them.

"You can't wear too much jew-
ellery," so says a smart shop-an-
nouncement, and so says everyone
who gives the matter a thought. Not
only bracelets galore but fantastic
bib necklaces, some Oriental, some
antique, are seen.

Dresses cut to the throat, or higher,
call for heavy necklaces of gold,
silver or some semi-precious stones.
Lapel ornaments are full grown,
even out-size, and will soon be, if
not already, shifted from the lapel
add to the fur collar.

It naturally follows that with hair
worn off the ears, earrings are given
prominence. Many of the newer
earrings, all of which are heavy,
Chinese pieces. Indeed, even with-
out "the righteous reason," they
would be sure to go over, since the
whole jewellery trend is toward the
earrings.

Apple Chutney And Cheese

THE following is a fine hot chutney
that adds a zest to any cold meat
supper.

Take:—
4 lbs green apples.
½ lb moist brown sugar.
1 lb stoned dates.
4 ozs salt.
1 quart vinegar.
1 lb raisins (stoned).
½ lb preserved ginger.
4 ozs garlic. (If not procurable use
½ lb onions.)
12 chillies.

Peel, core and chop apples. Cut
up the ginger, dates, and raisins.
Put garlic through the mincer. Boil
together all the ingredients in the
vinegar, till the consistency is that of
jam.

If liked hot, add more chillies.
Pour into small pots, and cover when
cold.

Here is another recipe—rather less
expensive. You require:—
2 lbs apples.
½ lb raisins.
1 lb brown sugar.
2 pints vinegar.
2 ozs mixed spice.
½ oz ground ginger.
2 teaspoons salt.

Peel and cut up the apples. Stew
till tender in the vinegar, with the
spice tied in muslin. Add the sugar
and boil 10 minutes. Lastly add
raisins, salt, and ginger. Bring to the
boil again, then pour into pots.
Cover when cold.

Apple Cheese

Take 10 tart apples. Peel and core
them. Cut into slices. Place in
saucepan, add 2 tablespoons water,
juice of ½ lemon and 3 tablespoons
caster sugar. Cook till apples are
soft, then pass through a sieve. Cool,
and put like jam. Serve cold with
any roast game, or use as a filling for
a sandwich cake.

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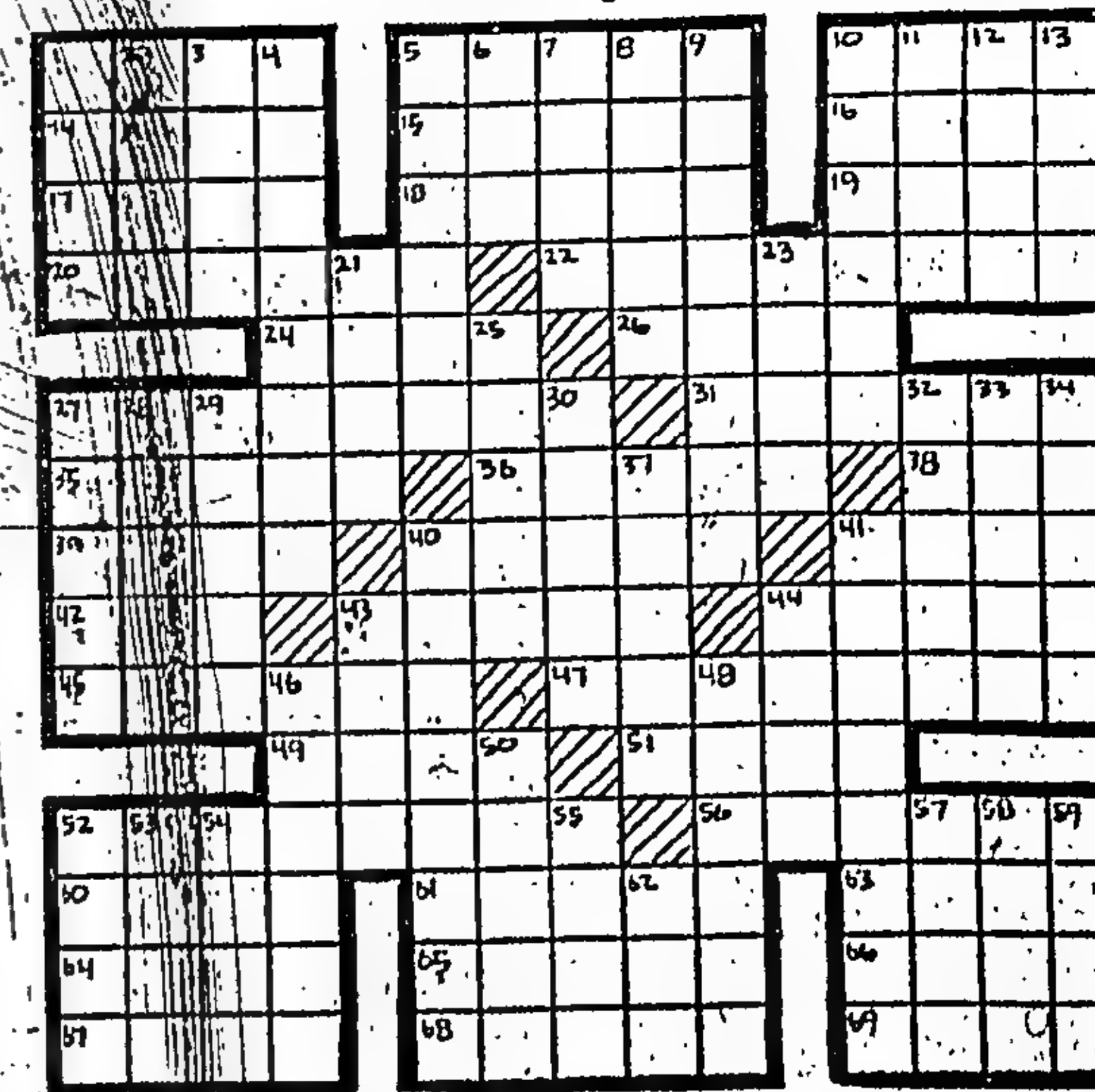
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ACROSS

- 1—Edible shellfish
- 2—Famous for hold-
ing vegetables
- 3—Literary poem
- 4—Wife of Zeus
- 5—Fanciful
- 6—Ancient man akin
to Pericles
- 7—Native vine to
Honduras
- 8—Rudolf's mate
- 9—God of love
- 10—Good time field
- 11—Culinary process of
winning
- 12—Short letter
- 13—Male deer
- 14—Fruitful
- 15—Undisputed food
- 16—Domestic
- 17—Large worm
- 18—Packaging of cotton
- 19—Woolen cloth
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- 21—Increase
- 22—Cavalry
- 23—Conquest
- 24—Fruitful
- 25—Dietary of new
- 26—South African
migration
- 27—Not given to talking
- 28—Large ram
- 29—Unit

DOWN

- 1—Handicraft
- 2—Pick
- 3—Orange
- 4—Robert
- 5—Project
- 6—Movements of sea
- 7—Without teeth
- 8—Come out
- 9—Persian fairy
- 10—Object of worship
- 11—Lust (truth)
- 12—Point at which curve
cup itself
- 13—Punctuation mark
for sudden break
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The King In Franco

Meets Men Who Have Fought Nazis

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The King on the second day of his tour of the Western Front met men who had been in action against the enemy.

Among those introduced to him were several R.A.F. pilots each of whom had downed a Heinkel bomber. Later His Majesty inspected mass formations of troops, over which circled R.A.F. fighters and reconnaissance planes in a precaution against possible German attacks.

The King again was accompanied by Viscount Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, Major General the Duke of Gloucester, and General A. F. Brooke, Commanding the Second British Army Corps in France.

AIR RAIDS RESUMED

(Continued from Page 1.)

A life-boat rescued the crew after the distress signals were seen.

Raids On East Coast

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—There was some aerial activity on the east coast on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning.

A German plane was brought down in the sea off Norfolk and two others were picked up by searchlights over the Thames Estuary.

They disappeared in a northerly direction. An enemy plane flew over the Orkneys while another was heard over Northern Scotland during the morning.

Mine-Laying Mission

The plane which crashed was a Heinkel reconnaissance machine, believed to have been engaged in mine-laying.

R.A.F. fighter planes went up but owing to the darkness and the extremely bad weather they did not contact the Nazi machine. The German plane, however, apparently got out of control in the bad weather and after narrowly missing a gasometer and several buildings, crashed into the sea.

Chiang Talks With Cosme

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Important questions of interest to both France and China were reviewed by M. Henri Cosme, the French Ambassador, and General Chiang Kai-shek in the course of a long and cordial interview held on Sunday morning, says an official announcement published here to-day.

Mr. Wang Chung-hui was present at the interview.

NEW PALESTINE CONCESSION

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—It is announced that the persons who left Palestine during the recent disturbances are now permitted to return.

This does not include those who had committed acts of violence or criminal offences, or against whom formal expulsion orders had been made.

For these there will be no immunity.

IMPRESSED BY WAR EFFORT

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Colonel Denys Reitz, the South African representative to the Empire talks in London, is flying home.

Before he left, he said that he had been very impressed by the Allied war effort, and by all he had seen and heard.

He praised the co-operation between the Dominions and the Mother country.

Hitler Visits An Old Warrior

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Hitler and General Walther von Brauchitsch, Commander-in-Chief of the German Army, paid visits to-day to General von Mackensen on the occasion of his 50th birthday.

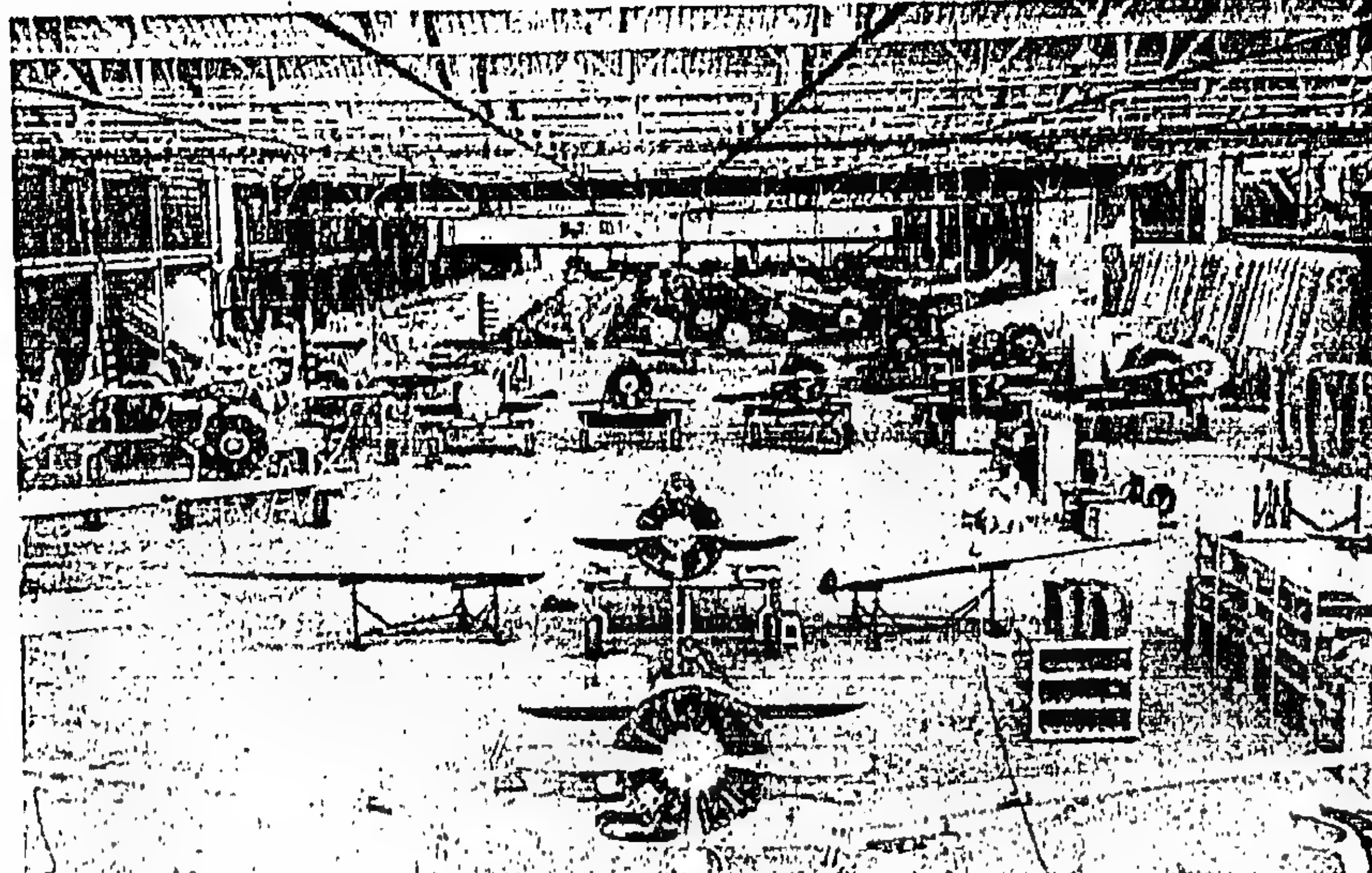
The old general is best known for his smashing defeat of the Russian army in 1918.

Hugenberg Escape To Switzerland

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Alfred Hugenberg, the German industrial magnate, has fled into Switzerland, according to a radio announcement.

Patrol Activity On West Front

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there were no events of importance, but that there was patrol activity.



A corner of an American aircraft factory showing, in the foreground, planes having their wings attached.

REDS DEMANDING ESTONIAN AID?

(Continued from Page 1.)

have thrown the Seventh Army, under General Mereskov, into the region comprising Karelian Isthmus and Lake Ladoga.

The Seventh Army consists of seven infantry and four tank divisions.

Over half of this army is believed to be in the Karelian area, where a series of spear-thrusts were made into the Finnish advanced defenses with the intention of reaching the railway line starting at Oulu, in the Bothnian Gulf, and running south-east towards the Russian frontier.

Eighty thousand Russians and 40,000 Finns are said to be fighting in the Karelian Isthmus.

Finns Half A Million Army The Finnish Army numbers nearly 500,000, and it is stated, included several Russian commissars who fought in the civil war of 1917.

Russian troops are reported to be poorly shod, wearing rubber galoshes instead of boots, which are uncomfortable for marching.

The evacuation of towns continues. Only a few residents remain at Helsinki.

Many Air Raid Casualties A journalist to-day visited a hospital 20 miles from Helsinki and saw the victims of air-raids.

There were some hundred adults and 25 children.

Many of the children were terribly injured.

It is reported that the Swedish armaments firm of Bofors is passing on to Finland 25 anti-aircraft guns which were ordered by the Polish Government but could not be delivered in time.

Three spies, alleged to have been discovered sending radio messages to Moscow, were shot to-day.

Attacks Held HELSINKI, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Soviet attacks are being held on all fronts.

During the past few days, over 60 Soviet tanks have been destroyed on the southern front, and many more have been put out of action on the front north of Lake Ladoga, where fierce fighting is taking place in heavy snow.

On the Arctic front, the Finns are holding up the advance of the Russians, who are being constantly reinforced.

Moscow's Denial MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio denies the Finnish claims but makes no claim on behalf of the Soviets.

It is announced that Leningrad anti-aircraft guns have been in action against Finnish planes.

80 Red Tanks Destroyed LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Eight more Russian tanks were destroyed in the Karelian Isthmus to-day, says a Finnish communiqué.

This makes the total 80 destroyed.

THEIR FIRE-TRAPS

To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—I read with great interest your editorial in your issue of the 5th instant concerning the disastrous fire in Shinghai Street on Sunday night and quite agree with your remarks.

Government ought to introduce immediately emergency legislation to improve or to pull down the old types of Chinese tenement houses of three or four-stories high, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, in order to prevent a repetition of a catastrophe one with such an appalling loss of life (fifty-three dead and twenty-two seriously injured now lying critically in the Kowloon Hospital, according to the report of your issue to-day) and one which must have struck horror as well as sympathy to the core of every human being.

In this region since hostilities began. Two big enemy planes were shot down north of Lake Ladoga.

Soviets Dony Losses MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The headquarters of the Leningrad military area deny the report that 60 Soviet planes were destroyed in a Finnish air-raid on Murmansk.

They state that no raids were carried out by the Finns or any other air force in the Murmansk area.

Stubborn Resistance HELSINKI, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Stubborn Finnish resistance to the Red invasion continues, and, according to a communiqué issued by General Headquarters, 80 Russian tanks have been destroyed or damaged since the war started.

Air operations to-day were confined to a few reconnaissance flights by Red planes over Petsamo.

Owing to bad weather, Finnish planes over Petsamo, reconnaissance planes again only went up on reconnaissance flights.

Practical Help Forthcoming Practical help is coming to Finland from countries outside Scandinavia. In addition to the suggested American action in returning to Finland the next instalment of her war debt, and of Italy supplying the Finns with planes.

Fifty or sixty Italian planes have already arrived at Helsinki.

The dispute felt over the Russian action was shown in the Danish and Swedish Parliaments to-day when all members, except Communists, walked out when the Communist leader rose to speak.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Swedish Prime Minister has conveyed that discussions are proceeding for the formation of a Cabinet on a broader basis.

NAZIS BEATEN ON HIGH SEAS

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said that Britain had begun the war with 21,000,000 tons of merchant shipping, out of which she had lost, during three months, about 340,000 tons.

Against this, she had gained by transfer from foreign flags, by prizes taken from the enemy and by new vessels building on a large scale about 280,000 tons, leaving a net loss of about 60,000 tons.

For every thousand tons of British shipping sunk, 110,000 had entered British ports. Losses in protecting warships of the Navy were necessarily heavier in proportion than those of protecting merchant marine, as they ran greater risks because they had to seek enemy destroyers and submarines.

Finda Time For A Pun The losses of warships during the first three months of the war in 1914 were more than double that now suffered.

Mr. Churchill said that their watch-word should be "Carry on and dread naught."

"Asdic" U-Boat Detection Mr. Churchill added that the efficacy of the Asdic method of detection was increasingly proved and the ordeal to which a U-boat was subjected would become ever more severe.

The convoy system was now in full operation. Very few ships were attacked in convoy, and less than one in 750 was sunk.

Convoys involved a certain definite loss of carrying power, but this loss was being steadily reduced by the institution of slow and fast convoys and other appropriate measures, but a certain delay must always remain.

U-boats preferred increasingly to attack the ships of countries with whom they were at peace rather than those with whom they were at war.

Remarkable Figures The figures were remarkable. British merchant ships lost in October were half what they were in September, and in November they were only two-thirds of what they were in October.

Quite a conspiracy had been the case with neutrals. They had lost half as much again in the second month as in the first and double as much in the third month as in the second.

It was a strange kind of warfare in which the German Navy were engaged.

When driven off the shipping of their declared enemy, they consoled themselves by running amok among the shipping of neutrals.

This should encourage neutrals to charter their ships to Great Britain for the duration, when they could be sure of making larger profits than they had even made in peace, and in addition had a complete guarantee against loss.

Lowest Form Of Warfare Referring to mines, Mr. Churchill said that it was about the lowest form of warfare that could be imagined.

It was warfare of the Irish Republican Army type—of leaving bomb parcels in an office at a railway station.

The magnetic mine might perhaps be Hitler's much-vaunted secret weapon.

MR. KENNEDY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the American Ambassador to London, who arrived here by air, told reporters that the British Government had not the slightest expectation that the United States would enter the war.

Denying rumours that he was resigning, he said that he was returning to London after Christmas.

He had come to see his family and to inform the State Department about the situation.

Australia To Make More Motor Cars

CANBERRA, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Australian Government is to encourage the manufacture of motor cars.

Bounties on the first 60,000 cars produced in the Commonwealth will be paid.

Britain's War Progress Finds Favour With The Press

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Discussing Sir Samuel Hoare's statement on Tuesday, the "Daily Telegraph" says that it gave impressive figures of the present war output, and of the great progress being made.

The "Times" however, says that no comparisons should be made between 1914 and 1939. The real question is "How far are we advanced in supplies and organisation of economic policy as compared with 1917 or 1918?" The expenditure is comparable with these years. Our economic policy is already comparable in principle. When will it be comparable in results?

Secret Session Approved

Discussing the secret session of Parliament, most papers agree that it will enable important matters to be discussed without giving information to the enemy.

"The News Chronicle" was typical in its comment that by means of a secret session, members will be able to set up and give out information which has come to their attention and which may be true or false.

"Everybody will feel better afterwards," says the paper.

DECISIVE BATTLES BELIEVED NEAR

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It is not known whether they managed to penetrate this far inland, or whether they were dropped by parachute.

Heavy snowstorms are hampering the Russians in the Karelian Isthmus area.

Near Main Defences

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, Dec. 7 (UP).—The Helmsinger Correspondent of "Popolo d'Italia" reports that Finland's G.H.Q. anticipates that the invaders will soon contact the main Mannerheim Line.

This line of defences is named after Field Marshal Mannerheim, the Finnish Commander-in-Chief who achieved the nation's independence 21 years ago and who is again in supreme command of the Finnish forces.

The Soviet Fleet, however, will almost certainly be ice-bound within a few days, and will be immobilised in Kronstadt Bay.

Italian Trained Pilots

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The reports that hundreds of Italian planes are being sent to Finland are not confirmed.

It is admitted, however, that before the Soviet invasion orders were received from Finland for 50 warplanes. These will be fitted as soon as possible, but it is likely that they will have to be delivered overland by rail.

Flying them over German territory might cause a Soviet-German incident.

The "Popolo d'Italia" points out that most Finnish aircraft are built in Italy and most of the Finnish pilots are trained in Italy.

Chinese Casualties

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6. Forty thousand Chinese civilian casualties, including 20,000 killed, are the result of Japanese air raids in 16 provinces in China during seven months between January and July this year, according to figures just received by the Chinese Aeronautical Affairs Commission.

During the period Japanese aircraft made 1,276 raids and dropped 32,000 bombs.

A total of 64,000 houses are said to have been destroyed, 6,000 others damaged and 380 junks destroyed.

The heaviest casualties occurred in May as the result of Japanese bombing on Chungking, wartime capital. On May 3 and 4, it is estimated that 14,000 people were killed or wounded in May. According to a report issued by the Chinese National Relief Commission casualties in the bombing of Chungking on May 4 alone were 4,572 killed and 3,637 wounded. Houses destroyed on May 3 totalled 600 while on the following day nearly 1,100 houses were demolished by bombing.

Kwangtung is said to be the most severely bombed of all the provinces. During the seven-month period it suffered 311 raids.—Reuter.

Mussolini Sees Ley

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mussolini had talks of conversation with the German Labour Front Leader, Dr. Robert Ley.

SOCIAL EVENING

A social evening will be held at the Police Recreation Club, Happy Valley, on Friday, December 15, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Admission is \$1 including light refreshments. Proceeds are in aid of charity.



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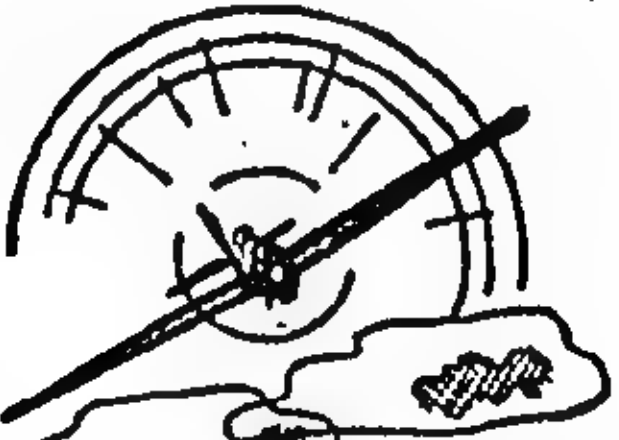
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

H. K. LADIES OUTPLAY RECREIO

Promising Start By Radio: C.B.A. Possess A Fine Team

HONGKONG LADIES obtained their first victory in the Caer Clark Cup last Saturday, defeating the Recreio Ladies 2-0 at King's Park. In the second half of the game the Island team outplayed their opponents and played themselves into position of complete mastery. It was, however, through their two wingers that the visitors were successful.

Miss Marr, on the right wing, was much too clever for the Recreio defenders, and Miss Purves at the other end made headway with the ball in much the faster way than any other forward on the field.

Miss Purves added the second goal after a brilliant solo effort, and it was from one of her centres that Mrs. Dalziel opened the scoring. Miss Baskett saved finely on two occasions, and Miss Gray and Miss Stratton, the backs, carried each other splendidly with inspired confidence.

RECREIO'S forwards often combined well and had they utilised all their chances they would have obtained a point. Miss F. Figueroa and Miss B. Remedios worked well together but their shooting was poor. The attack in general helped towards their own downfall by persisting in attempting close attacks. These were very bad tactics and they could not hope to penetrate the Hongkong Ladies' defence in that way. The defence, however, showed up very well indeed. Miss Z. Barros in goal was sound with her clearances, and Mrs. M. Silva was the better full-back. But Miss P. Gonsalves, at centre-half, took the day's honours. What the Recreio's forwards need is a good deal of hard hitting practice.

RADIO and Postal Sports Club commenced the Tournament in grand style when at Caroline Hill last Friday they accounted for a strong Police XI by 2-1 this being the best game in the series so far. Then again on their home ground on Sunday morning they trounced the Royal Signals, 5-1.

Against the Corps, after about five minutes, Radio took control of the game and goals came at regular intervals through G. Singh, S. Pinto and A. Singh. The youthful schoolboy player, formed an excellent combination with G. Singh on the right flank and J. M. Pinto was a constructive inside left. The whole of the defence gave the impression of taking things too easily before the stronger teams they will certainly have to put more snap into their game. The Caroline Hill ground is now in good condition and it would not be long before the champions will jump into their true form once again.

THERE was no good hockey shown by the Signals, as the passing was disjointed and uneven, but the defence showed up more prominently in the latter half when Trustcott in goal made some brilliant saves. Gorman worked very hard at centre-half and Kusband, who led the at-

tack with vigour, was rewarded with the only goal for his side. It was a one-sided match, and the visitors' defence were much overworked.

IN THE afternoon on the Police Training School ground, K.I.T.C. defeated Nomads in a Tournament game, 2-0. M. R. Malik was ten minutes late but when he got going he scored both goals and was always a menace to the Nomads' defence. The half-back line with Mohinder Singh, Kishan Singh and Bagh Singh, combined very effectively and made many fine openings for their forwards. Kishan Singh at right-back made some lefty clearances, and C. Pinto at inside-right showed distinct promise with more experience he should develop into a very useful player. It was a fast and keen struggle and the better team won.

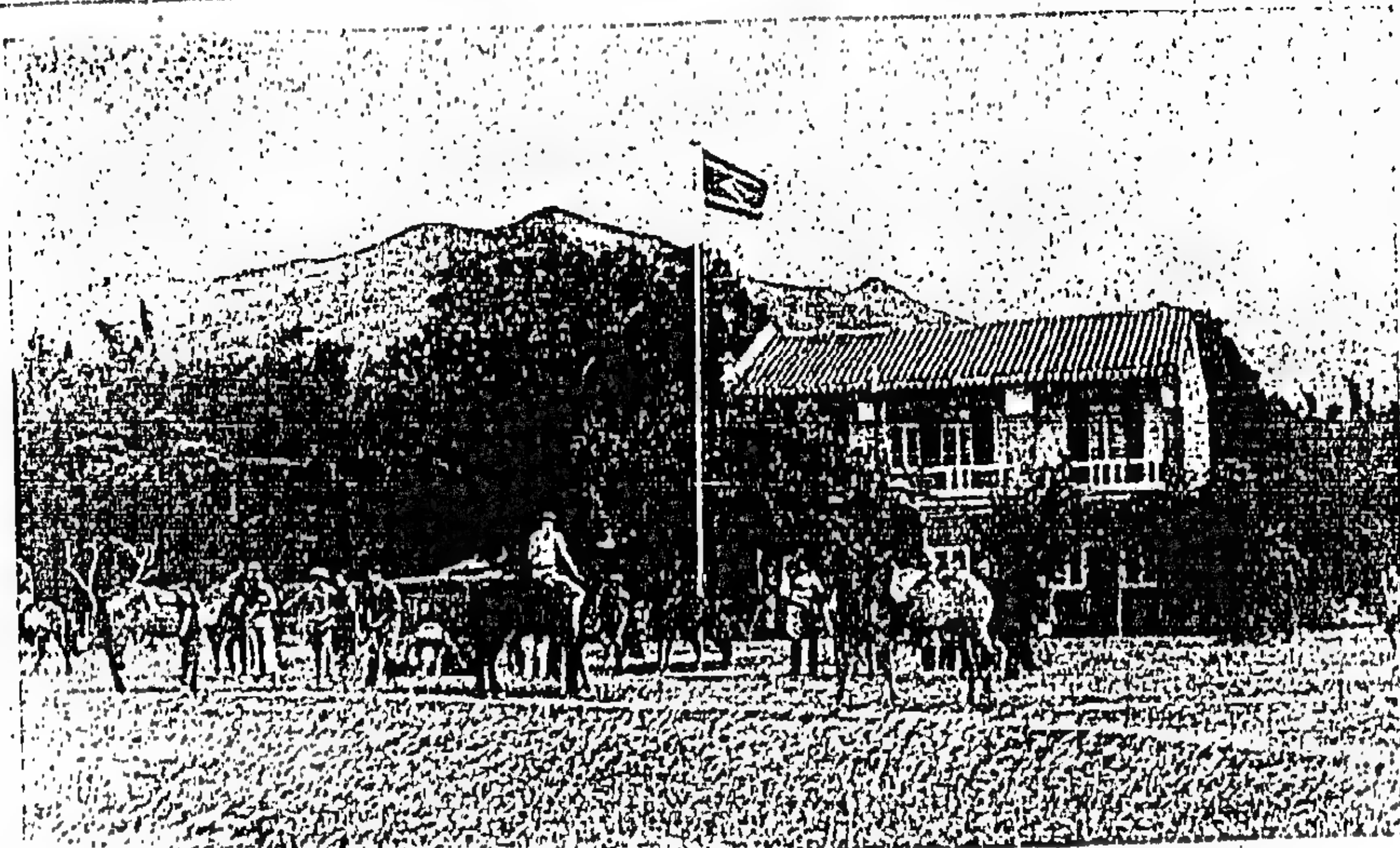
NOMADS took the field without the services of S. A. Reed, their centre-forward, who is on the sick list. H. Franco led the attack and H. Gubbay was seen at inside left. In the first twenty minutes Nomads might have opened the scoring but could not finish off their attacks. R. Silva and B. Xavier were either off-side or too slow with their centres. The forwards in general could make little progress due to a fast ground, and their defence on the other hand were hard pressed and kept busy throughout the second half.

H. Soares and R. Xavier, the backs, were very much below form, hence the halves were called upon to do more work than expected. R. J. Reed and L. Souza, however, gave a fine display. Apart from the opening stages of the game, the Nomads never looked like scoring.

THE C.B.A. last Sunday commenced their first-Tournament fixture with a brilliant 6-0 victory over Recreio. The welcome return of George Fowler to the attack worked wonders, but full credit goes to the defence where Norman Whitley, at centre-half, played a great game. He attacked and defended strongly.

V. Bond, at back, also gave a bright display. Young Teddy Lockhart in goal was brilliant in his anticipation, and on last Sunday's form alone, is worthy of an Intercontinental trial. There is no doubt the C.B.A. possess a fine team which should end somewhere on top of the table.

RECREIO fielded their best XI with the inclusion of B. Gosano, who



An enjoyable time was spent by members of the Collage Club and their friends on Sunday, November 26, when a Paper Hunt was held. Picture shows those who took part getting ready for the start. The Club-house can be seen in the background.

Rugby Football

ENGINEERS BEAT CLUB "A"

Cambridge Beaten By Oxford In Rugby

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 6 (Reuters).—Five thousand spectators watched Oxford beat Cambridge by 15 points to 3 in the annual Inter-Varsity Rugby match, which was played outside London for the first time since 1872.

Owing to the war, the match was unofficial and no Blues were awarded, but play was keen. Cambridge were relentless in their tackling in the early stages, but Oxford's clever and speedy backs gradually asserted their supremacy. At half-time, Oxford led by seven points to nil.

has just arrived from Swatow. The attack did their best but could not make any impression on the strong C.B.A. defence. As I have said before, the Rees need good inside scoring forwards—then and only then are they certain of victory. Play was fast and interesting and the game was by no means one-sided as the score might suggest.

IT was rather unfortunate that a game in the Ladies' Junior League should have been called off last Saturday due to the non-appearance of the umpires.

This might prove an interesting case for the Umpires' Association to investigate. The umpires were not nominated by the Association, but they agreed, I believe, to officiate at the request of the teams concerned, and an explanation by them should be made to the Association. Should it be up to the powers-that-be to deal with them accordingly.

LAST Tuesday in a practice game on the Club ground, the Combined Services defeated the Middlesex Regiment, 2-1. Mars (right-back) and Hook (centre-half) were absent, their positions being filled by Gunnar and Austen.

The only two players to attract attention were Partin and Verain Singh, the Interport left-wing combination. The Services will have to give a better account of themselves if they hope to beat the Civilians next Sunday.

The final selection of the Civilian team will be made following the monthly Council meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association, which takes place at St. Andrew's Church Hall at 6 p.m. to-day.

Final arrangements to be staged next Sunday in aid of the B.W.O.F. will be discussed. The programme starts at 2 p.m. with the Band of the Kumon Rifles, and at 2.30 p.m. the Mainland and Island Ladies will take the field, followed by the Combined Services v. Civilians game.

The public are requested to book their seats early, as there is a great demand for sitting accommodation at the moment. Prices are at \$1 per seat and 50 cents for standing room. It is going to be a treat for hockey enthusiasts, so book early and support the B.W.O.F. I shall comment on the prospects of the teams next Saturday.

Sterling Display By Military Forwards

(By "Fly-half")

On the Club ground yesterday, the Royal Engineers, assisted by 2nd/Lieut. Culbertson, defeated a Club "A" XV, which was back-boned by a few Club 1st XV players in Walkden, Bidwell, Needham, Godfrey, Richardson and Salter, by two goals and a try (13 points) to two tries (6 points).

The feature of the game was the grand display by the Engineers' forwards who generally carried on a forward foot rush for considerable distances. Culbertson, Brinkley, Pike and Apperly were prominent in these rushes. Club played Bidwell at scrum-half and young Thomson at stand-off half. The latter was very reliable and passed out well to his three; he was also successful in breaking through on his own on one or two occasions.

Day and Lavalle were the Club's best three-quarters. Richardson showed initiative in coming into movements from the blind side; Salter, Needham and Heasman were prominent in the Club pack.

Pickett was the Engineers' most dangerous wing-three. He was very successful with his touch, kicking to relieve pressure. Waite did a lot of hard work amongst the three, both in attack and defence.

The Engineers scored tries through Pickett, Pike and Culbertson. Pike converted the first two.

Needham and Thomson scored unconverted tries for Club.

Royal Engineers—Lt. Otway; Spr. Aspinwall; Spr. Jones; Spr. Martin and Spr. Pickett; Cpl. Waite and Spr. Foley; Spr. Apperly; Spr. Pike; Spr. Eouzan; Spr. Brinkley; Spr. Davis; Spr. Sheldrake; Spr. Howarth and Lt. Culbertson.

Club "A"—A. F. Walkden; W. B. Richardson; J. G. Day; R. M. Lavalle and Gratton; J. M. Thomson and H. D. Bidwell; W. Stoker; K. W. Salter; F. Burford; R. E. Heasman; C. F. Needham; G. E. Godfrey; L. A. Benn and Rees.

Kai Tak 3 Middlesex Nil

Kai Tak just got the measure of the Middlesex Regiment by a single try (3 points) to nil. The Airmen fielded Henderson, the regular Club player, as a newcomer to their team. He played a steady game without being brilliant. A game experiment was the playing of Hynes, a forward, at wing-three. Hynes is no speedster but he played well without shining. Tarry as an inside forward showed more knowledge of the game but still has to learn that he had to wait for it. Bright was a bit selfish in his attempts to cut in and might have done better if he had passed out to Hynes.

At forward, the Airmen were best served by Taylor, Burnett and Gash in the line-outs. Lewis at inside three, scored Kai Tak's try by a clever run.

Y.M.C.A. TEAMS FOR THE WEEK

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will meet the Combined Units on the "Y" ground at 4.45 p.m. to-day. They will be represented by V. Benwell; H. Gordon; L. Pennington; H. Smith; D. McLellan; L. Combe; A. N. Other; C. Gemmell; R. Bartlett; P. Waldron and R. Baldwin. Umpire, W. Colledge.

Tennis

First Round Of Women's Doubles

In the first round of the Women's Doubles championship played at the U.S.B.C. yesterday, Mrs. O. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury defeated Mrs. F. O. Tracey and Mrs. Webb 8-6, 6-4. Some very good tennis was witnessed, rallies being long and exciting. The match later developed into a baseline duel in which steadiness and consistency eventually triumphed.

Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury took some time to get settled down and played remarkably well after being 5-3 down in the first set to win at 8-6. Miss Bradbury was the steadiest of the four and took full advantage of her remarkable lobbing. She was ably supported by Mrs. Burnett, whose chief weapon was the backhand. Mrs. Webb was the only player to earn the net occasionally for a full-blooded volley drive, while Mrs. Tracey reaped a harvest of points. Mrs. Tracey served inconsistently throughout and was shaky at mid-court, though she improved somewhat as the game progressed.

Badminton

KOWLOON TONG SURPRISE ST. ANDREW'S

Three matches in the "B" division were played last night. Kowloon Tong caused a surprise by beating St. Andrew's 6-3; St. Teresa's lost to King's College by a similar margin, and St. John's were victorious over Kowloon C.C. also by 6-3. Scores:

K.C.C. v. ST. JOHN'S: P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.) beat F. H. Kwok and R. C. Beavan 2-1; beat D. Kwok and R. Maynard 2-1; beat P. Wilson and N. L. Smith 2-1. Kwan and Merritt (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Beavan 6-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 6-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 12-21. E. Curtis and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Beavan 2-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 2-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 2-21.

ST. ANDREW'S: A. E. H. Castro and Lee Kom-ming (Kowloon Tong) lost to E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (K.C.C.) 8-21; lost to W. Gillies and A. E. T. Guest 6-21; lost to A. F. Bliss and A. E. Brown 14-21. R. E. Lee and F. E. Ko (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 21-13; beat Gillies and Guest 21-14; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10. N. A. E. Mackay and P. B. C. Fletcher (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 24-22; beat Gillies and Guest 21-7; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10.

Yurloff; J. Kempton; R. Bates; A. Austen; D. Smith; C. Gemmell; E. Fowler; L. Combe and C. Waldron. On the U.S.B.C. ground at 4.15 p.m. on the same day, the "Y" XI will play the Royal Signals. The players chosen are: H. Millington; A. Killean; P. Grant; H. Smith; C. Huber; K. Broch; L. Macey; R. Dornier; J. Greenberg; R. Banks and C. Bevan.

CABARET SUPPER DANCE: The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will hold its first cabaret supper dance in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, tomorrow. Dancing is from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Music is by the Peninsula Hotel orchestra and "Yvonne" under the direction of Art Carneiro. Tickets are \$3.50 (double) and \$2 (single); and can be purchased from members or at the desk.

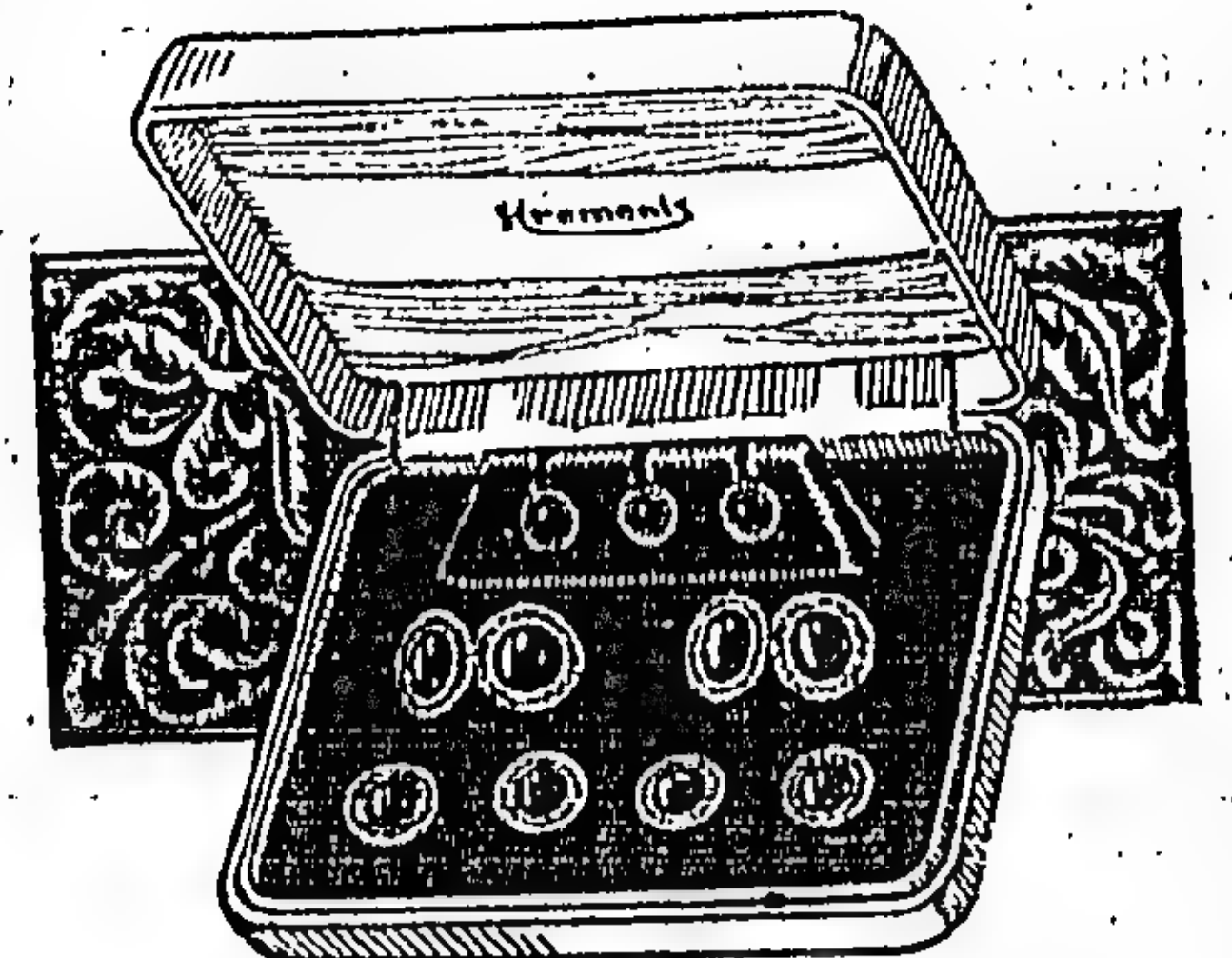
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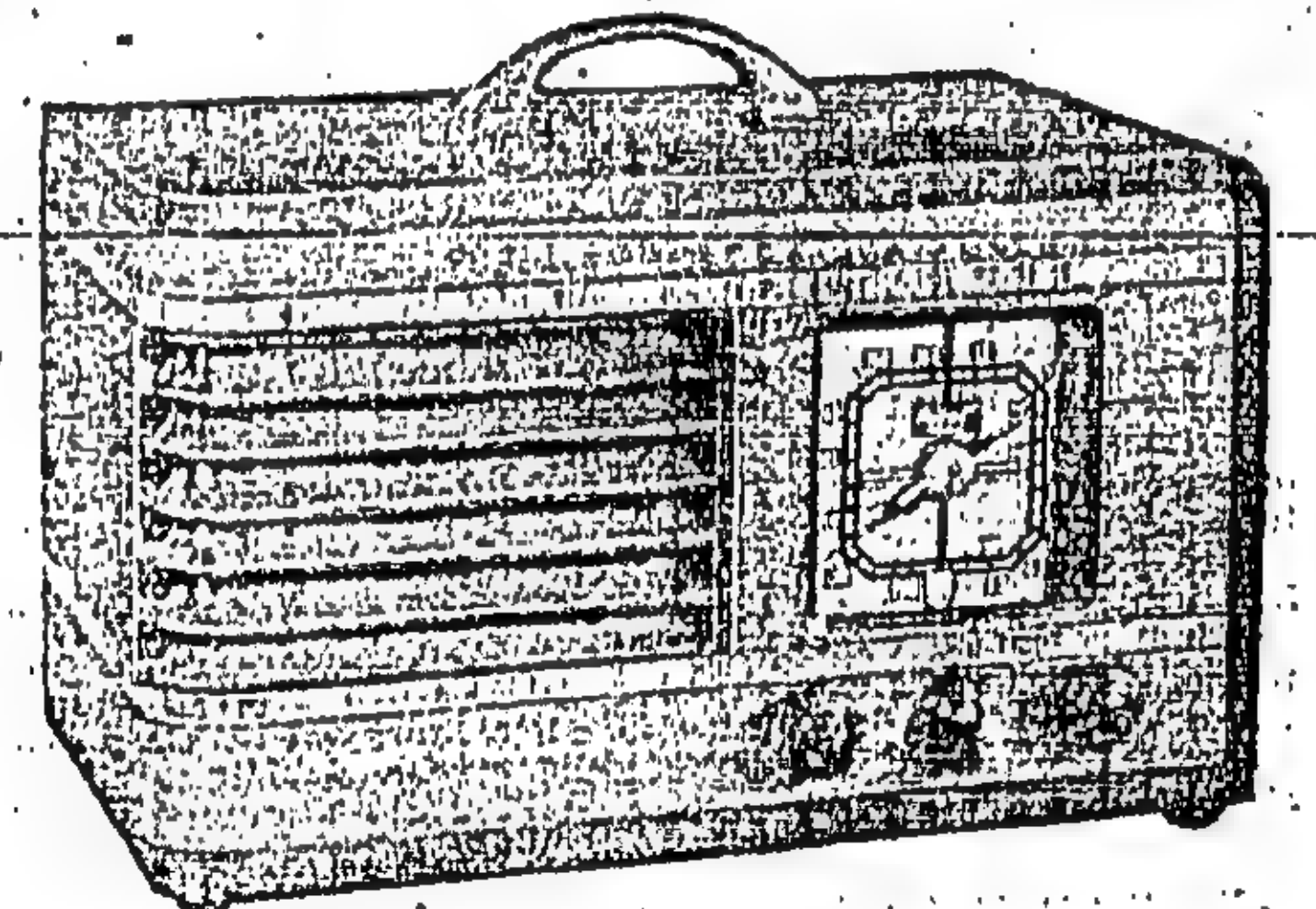
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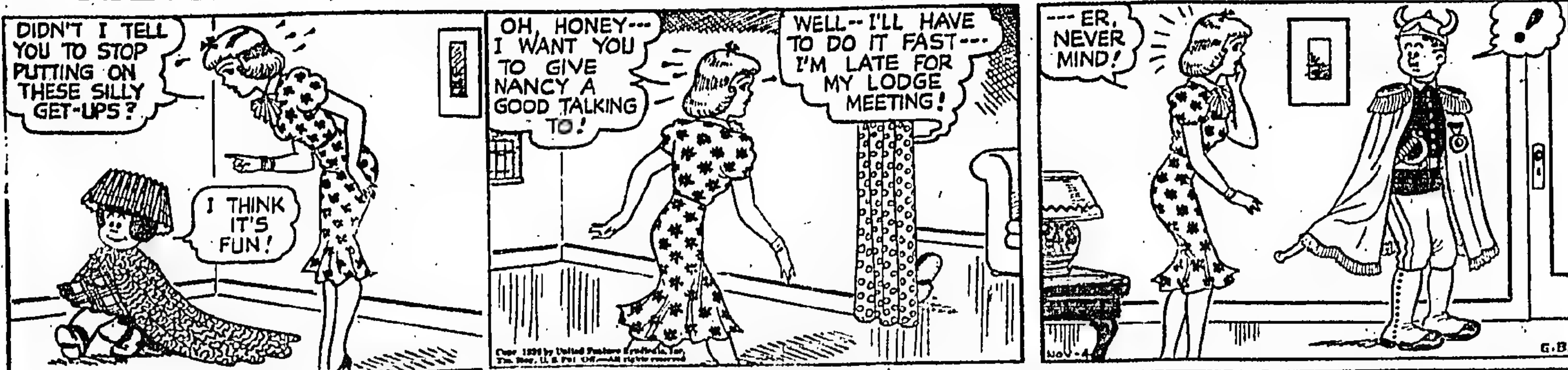


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Germany Warns Neutrals, Must Fight—

STRANGULATION OF NAZI TRADE

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The growing effect of the Allied economic measures on German trade, especially on exports, is emphasised in a warning to neutral countries given by Berlin to-day.

In what was called an "authoritative statement to the foreign press," neutral countries are told that they can no longer make mere "paper protests" to the Allies.

They must take active measures against the seizure of German exports.

Admits Trade Strangulation

Another aspect of the difficulties is given in an article over the signature of one of the Reich's leading economic experts in Marshal Goering's paper, "Four Year Plan."

The article admits the strangulation of German trade by the British Contraband Control.

As in 1914-18, England's power on the seas has brought Germany's overseas trade to a standstill.

German ships are held in a hundred harbours, and some have already been confiscated.

Vast quantities of goods are stored up in German warehouses, the article continues, and German importers cannot either load or store goods which may arrive.

Position is Grave

The position is grave, the writer declares, and he asks the Government for new capital and for the exporters to be allowed to disperse employees.

"The authorities must provide some other kind of business," the writer concludes.

The article may reflect the disagreement between Marshal Goering and the Reichsbank, which has refused to subsidise Germany's export trade.

Berlin Astonished

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—An official inspired statement issued to-day states:

"Now, that English and French warships are ordered to enforce the confiscation of German exports, political circles believe that they may feel shipping to be no longer content with 'paper protests' but to organise self-help to protect their trade."

Astonishment is expressed that Holland does not at present arm merchantment to organise their own convoys.

TIENTSIN ISSUE

Sticks To Principles

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In reply to Mr. Noel Baker in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that during the recent conversations between Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, and the Japanese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, an informal exchange of views took place on the issues arising out of the position in Tientsin and other outstanding questions.

Government Stands Pat

Mr. Noel Baker asked whether Mr. Butler could say whether the question of the silver reserves in Tientsin was raised and whether the Government had adhered to the principles which they had previously announced.

Mr. Butler replied: "The question of the silver reserves arising out of the position in Tientsin was discussed. I can assure him that His Majesty's Government has adhered to the principles which they have previously enunciated."

Beating The U-Boat

HERE, in diagram, is the story of the U-boat war on British shipping, told by Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday:

British losses in the first week of the war:—

65,000 tons.

Second week of war:—

46,000 tons.

Third week of war:—

21,000 tons.

And in the last seven days:—

9,000 tons.

Americans In Trouble

Incidents In Shanghai And Hankow

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—An incident occurred on the Shanghai waterfront this morning when a member of the Japanese River Police, believed to be a Formosan, slapped Mr. W. N. Russell, an American attached to the United States Purchasing Office.

Mr. Russell was over-seeing a transhipment of goods to the U.S.S. Luzon, which is going up river tomorrow.

The River policeman attempted to interfere with the Chinese coolies loading the goods. Mr. Russell intervened.

The River policeman then slapped Mr. Russell, who grappled with him. Two U.S. Marines, who were guarding the cargo, intervened, and Japanese gendarmes shortly arrived on the scene, as also did the S.M. Police.

The matter was temporarily settled and the cargo was delivered to the U.S.S. Luzon.

Hankow Incident.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—TOKYO, Dec. 7 (Domel).—On the basis of official information, the spokesman of the Foreign Office states that a non-commissioned officer of the American Navy named Baker, came into trouble with a Japanese centry in Hankow on July 22 when he not only refused to observe traffic regulations but attempted to strike the centry.

The matter was taken up by the Japanese authorities in Hankow, according to the spokesman, who said that Baker, on November 19, when under the influence of alcohol, struck a Chinese rickshaman and damaged his ricksha. Baker was arrested by the Japanese authorities but was subsequently released on payment of damages to the Chinese rickshaman.

Opposition Motion Is Defeated

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Opposition amendment in the reply to the Royal Address was defeated in the House to-day by 303 to 125.

Australian Air Minister's Flight

BRISBANE, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Australian Air Minister has left for England in a specially-chartered flying boat.

He has recently been in Canada.

Sympathy For The Finns

Felicitations On Anniversary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In the course of a cable to President Kyosti Kallio on the occasion of the 22nd Anniversary of Finnish independence, President Roosevelt declares:

"It is my earnest hope that these tragic days may not be long in giving way to a happier era and permit the Finnish people to continue untroubled, the steady development of their free political and social institutions which have aroused the admiration of the American people."

Officials here state that the message goes beyond the customary felicitations the President customarily cables to the head of States on the occasion of anniversaries.

Positions Changed

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—To-day is the 22nd Anniversary of the Finnish Declaration of Independence, and it has found the Finns once again fighting the Bolsheviks—with one difference.

When they fought 25 years ago, they were helped by Germany and 30,000 German soldiers lost their lives fighting for Finland.

To-day Germans are on the other side. It is the price Hitler paid for Russian friendship.

Danish Sympathy

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The latest demonstration of sympathy for Finland came in the Danish Parliament to-day.

When the Danish Communist leader rose to speak, members of all other parties, both right and left, got up and waved out, leaving him to address two men—his fellow Communists.

When the session resumed, a member asked whether it was not high time that Denmark broke off relations with Russia.

Anti-Soviet Demonstrations. ROMÉ, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Italian students held another anti-Soviet demonstration to-day.

Italian newspapers gave prominence to Lord Halifax's statement in the House of Lords in which he emphasised the Nazis' responsibility for the Soviet aggression on Finland.

Helsingfors Celebrates

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (UP).—The capital quietly celebrated the anniversary of independence.

The Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, gave a reception for President Kallio and the foreign diplomats.

Mr. Kallio said that the greatest accomplishment in 21 years of independence was the achievement of national unity.

The morale of the Finns is high and confidence is increasing.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Saint in London" (Queen's): My very yarn produced in London and based on a story by Leslie Charteris. At first the law and its representatives seem to be held in disrespect, but it later appears that the Saint is working with Scotland Yard and the Government against a gang of foreign rascals. Starring George Saunders and Sally Gray.

"Wife, Husband and Friend" (Majesty): Gay and unusual story of a couple of would-be songbirds, the "wife" and "husband" of the title, who go on adorning each other through all sorts of romantic entanglements. With Loraine Young, Warner Baxter, Dinie Barnes, Coar Romero and George Barbier.

"The Warning" (Queen's and Alhambra): This is a short National Service documentary film which runs for 88 minutes. It surveys the dangers that menace Britain from an air attack and how they may be met by organised preparedness of civilians to back up the might of armed forces. A call to service is given at the conclusion of the film by Sir John Anderson, Minister for Civil Defence.

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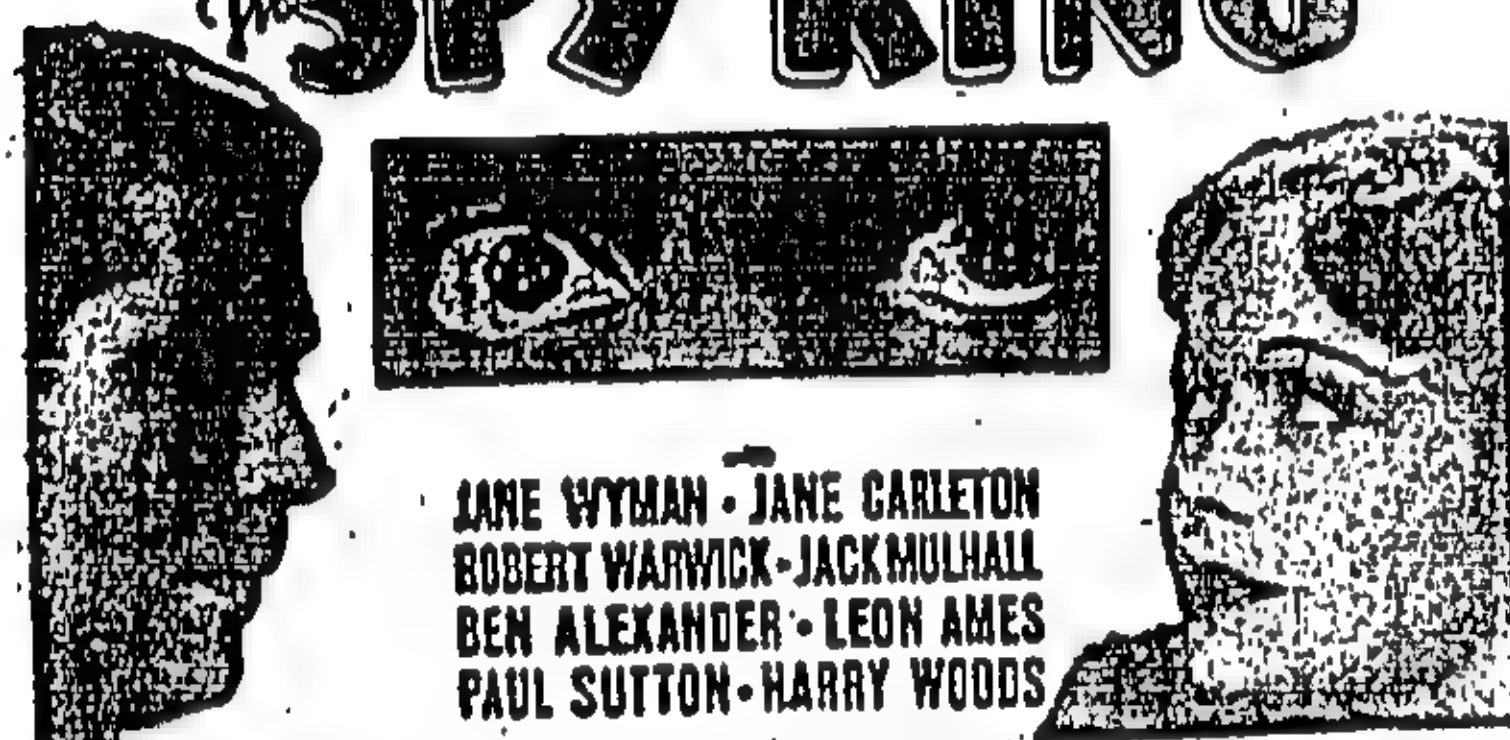
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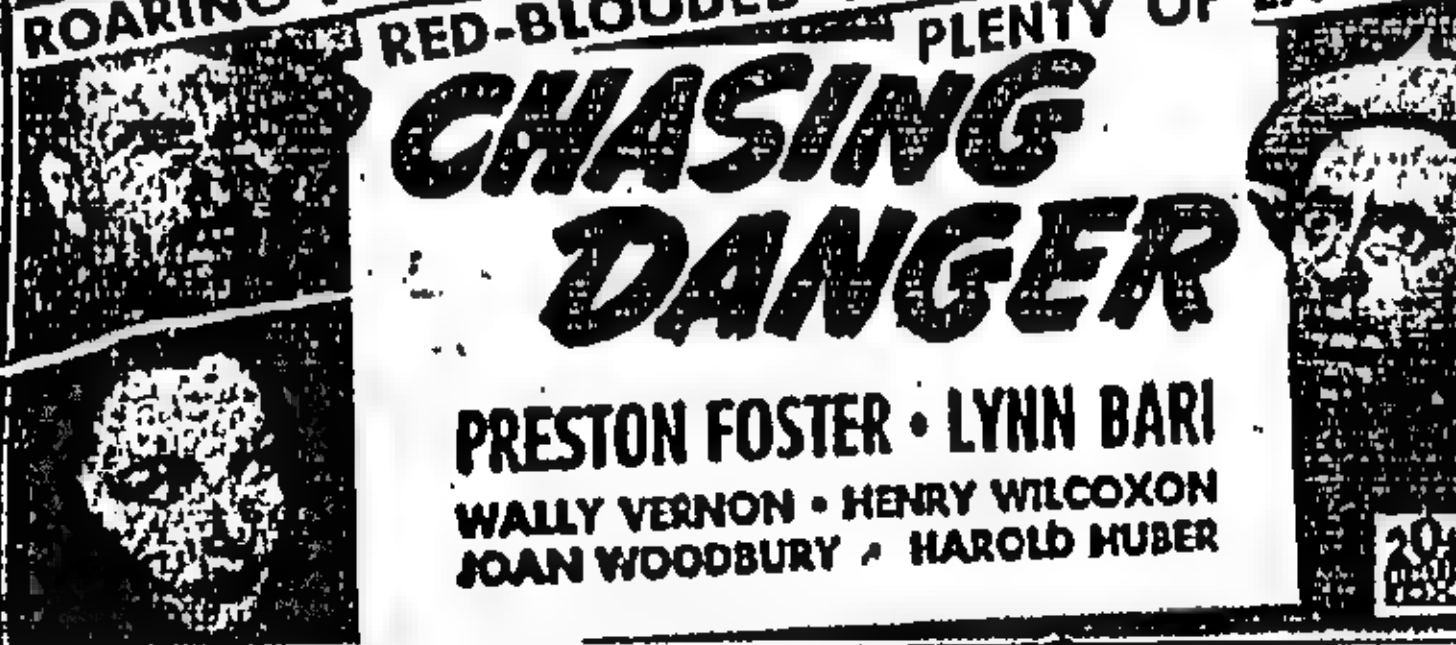
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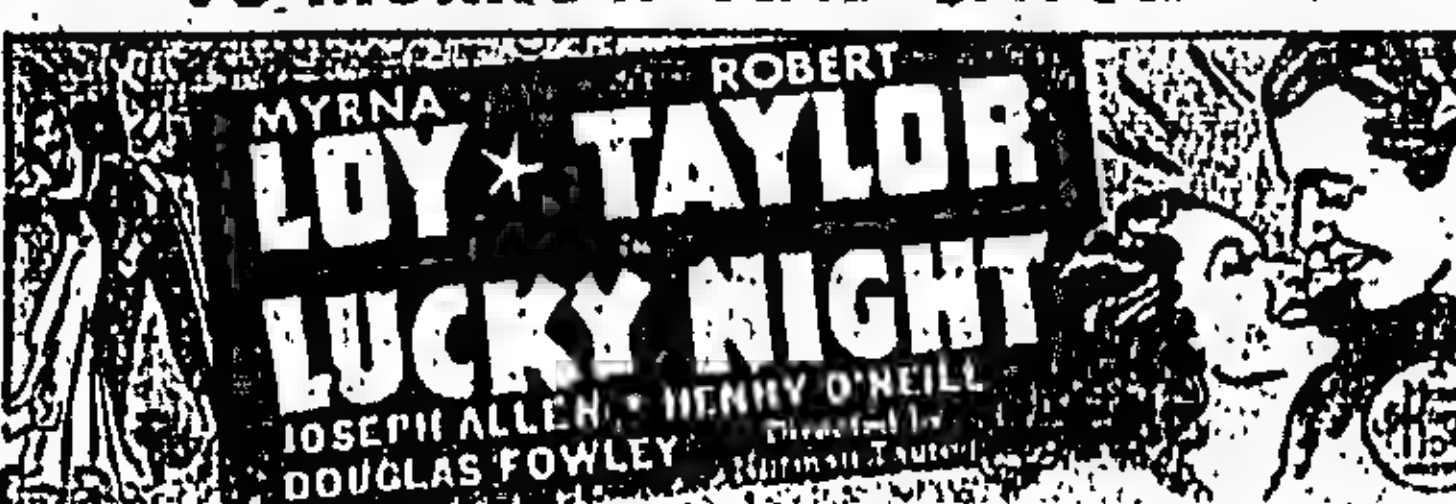
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1. The German Air Attack on the Firth of Forth.
2. Captured Aviators in a British Hospital.
3. President of Finland, Kings of Denmark, Norway and Sweden joining for a conference on mutual war aid.
4. General Gamelin and General Viscount Gort inspect the Front.
5. The aerial attacks on the Japanese invaders by Chinese Guerrillas.
6. China's Amazon Army, etc., etc.

TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY



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Members of the Women's Transport Service shown carrying off a "victim" of an "air attack" during a Training Class.

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Assistant Bishop For South China

Rev. Y. Y. Tsu, Ph.D., of St. John's University, Shanghai, has been elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Hongkong especially for the oversight of the work of the Anglican Church (Chung Hua Sheng Kung) in Yunnan and Kweichow. Dr. Tsu is 50 years old. His wife is also a distinguished Christian worker and is President this year of the Y. W. C. A. of China.

Rt. Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, lately Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, has been nominated by the House of Bishops to the Archbishop of Canterbury to succeed Rt. Rev. John Hind as Diocesan Bishop in Fokien. Bishop Sargent has been Assistant Bishop in Fokien since November last year.

Rt. Rev. Frank L. Norris, veteran Bishop in North China is also to retire next year, and will be succeeded by Rt. Rev. Arnold Scott, now Bishop of Shanlung.

PACIFIC AGREEMENT

Panama Ships May Extend Run to Hongkong

San Francisco, Dec. 5. Mr. Joseph R. Sheehan, President of American President Steamship Lines, to-day announced that negotiations have been opened with the President of the Panama Pacific Line, Mr. Kenneth Dawson, envisaging a joint service agreement for trans-Pacific passenger and shipping trade in which four Panama Pacific inter-coastal ships will augment the President Lines service by extending their voyages to Manila, Hongkong and Singapore. —United Press.

LATE NEWS

TOKYO'S POLICY

Tokyo, Dec. 6. Mr. Chuji Machida, President of the Minseito, the largest political party in Japan, called on General Shunroku Hata, War Minister, this morning.

It is understood that General Hata recently endorsed the Premier's request to the Minseito leader to join the Cabinet.

During to-day's interview, Mr. Machida explained his position and assured the War Minister that, although he has declined the Premier's offer, he would not fail to assist the Government to strengthen the unity of the nation.

Political circles attach importance to the meeting which is to promote co-operation between political parties and the military in the conduct of the China campaign. It is pointed out

CHINESE CHAMBER

Peruvian Immigration Laws Discussed at Meeting

A donation of \$1,000 to the British War Organisation Fund was agreed to by members of the Hongkong Chinese Chamber of Commerce at their monthly meeting yesterday. Mr. J. M. Wong was in the chair and was assisted by Mr. H. Y. T'ao, secretary.

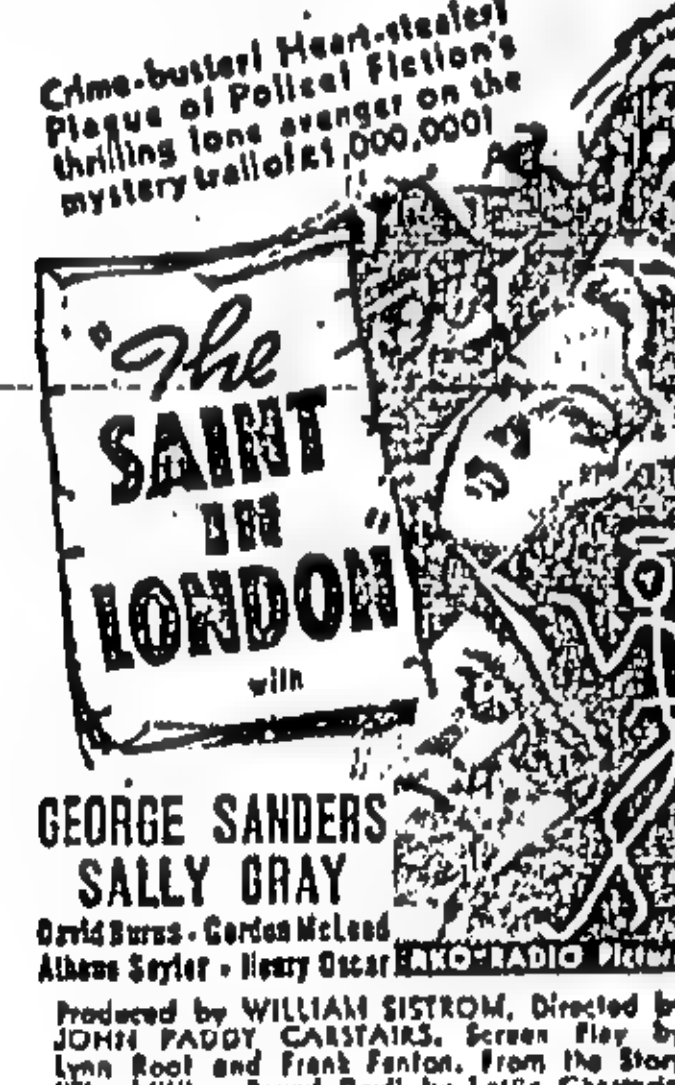
A report which appeared in the South China Morning Post on December 5 regarding a decree by the Peruvian Government forbidding any Chinese immigration was mentioned by a member of the committee, and after some discussion it was decided that a telegram be sent to the Chinese Ambassador in Peru asking him to take up the matter with the Peruvian Government.

that Mr. Machida was informed by the War Minister of the Army's plans in dealing with the new Central Government in China and disposing of the China Affair—Domest.

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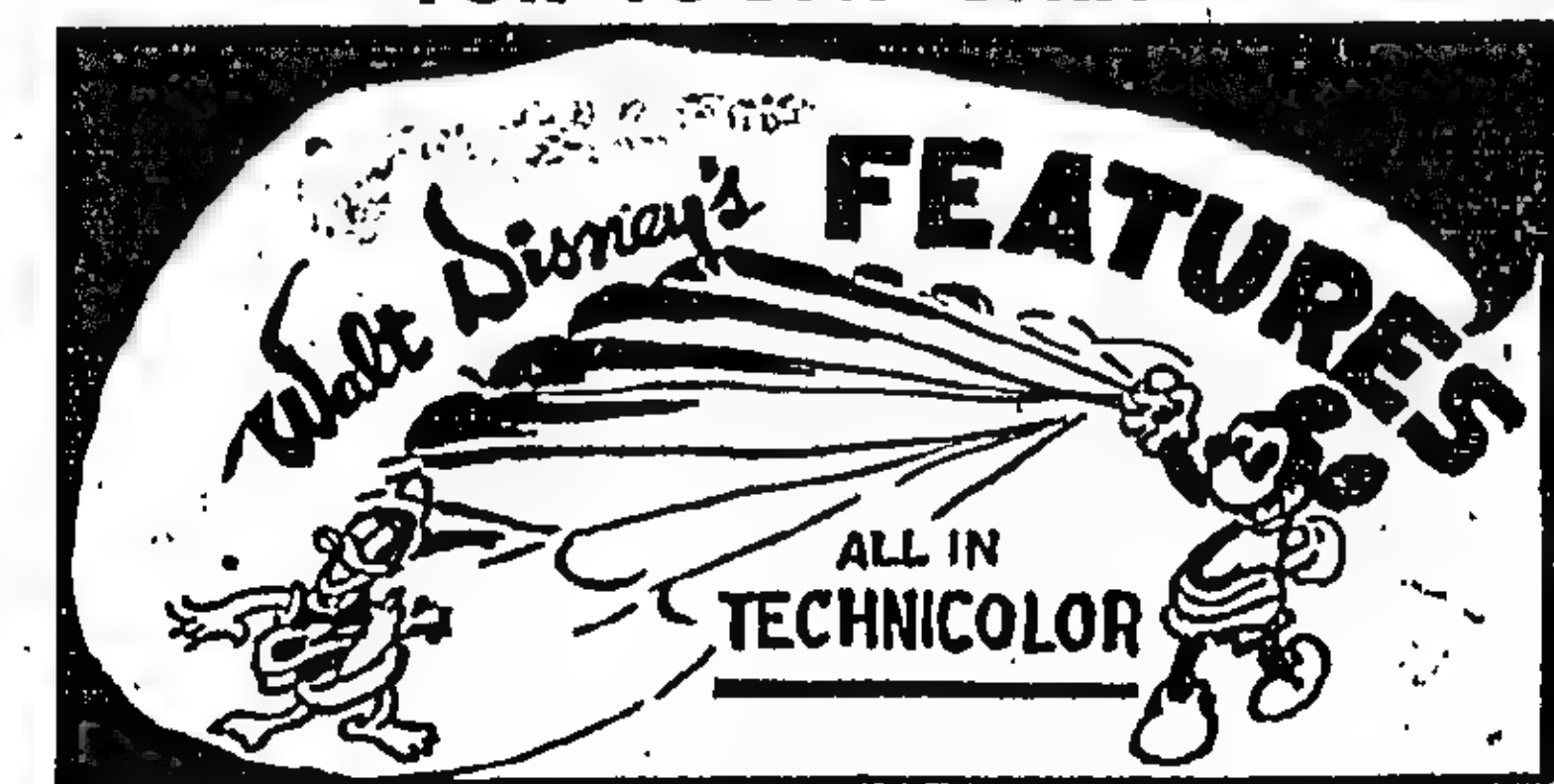
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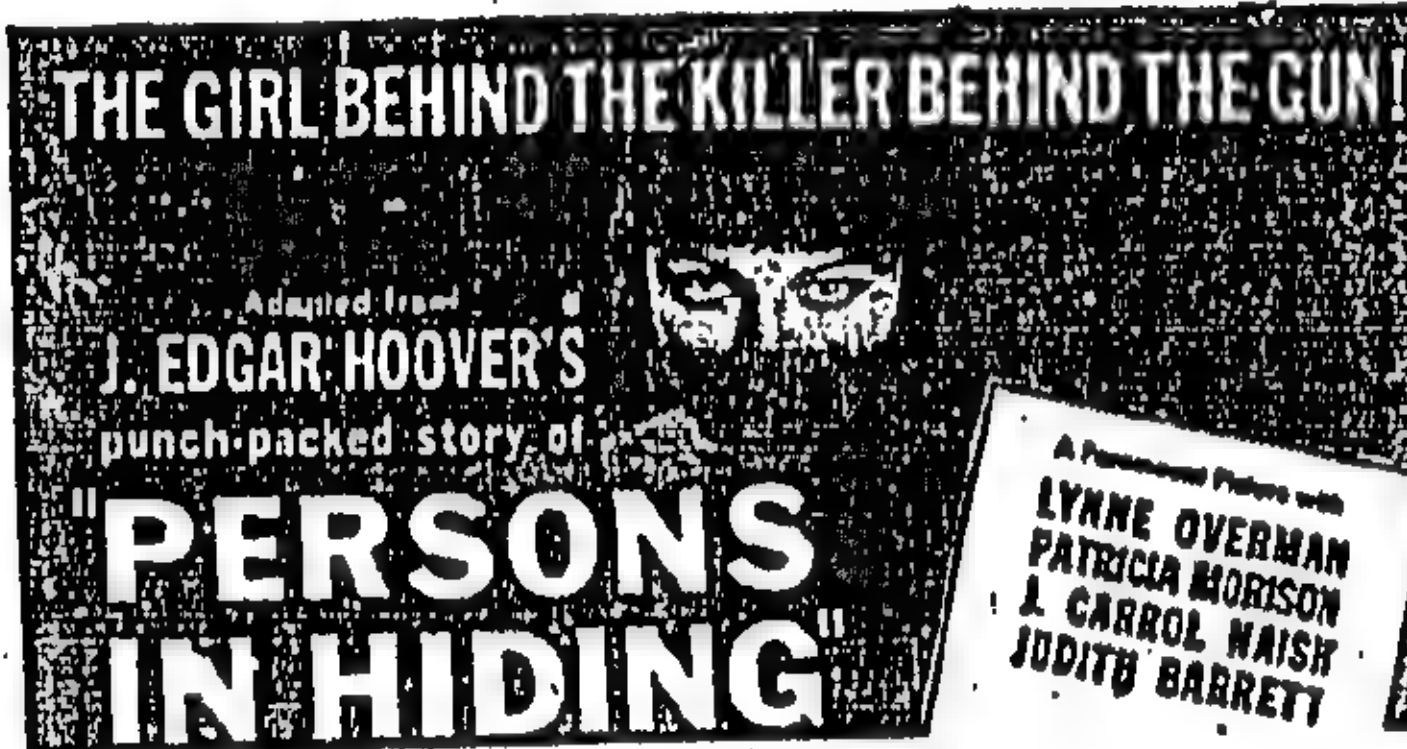
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"The destruction of U-boats is proceeding in accordance with the estimate previously given, namely, two to four a week, or faster than the Germans can replace them."—Mr. Winston Churchill, yesterday.

Reds Turn Eyes Again To Balkan Neighbours

TURKEY & RUMANIA WARNED BY SOVIET

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, DEC. 6 (UP).—A CAUSTIC WARNING TO TURKEY AND RUMANIA, BRITAIN'S TWO ALLIES, IS CONTAINED IN AN ARTICLE IN THE "COMINTERN", OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL.

The newspaper pointedly warns Turkey that it would be to her advantage to negotiate a pact of mutual assistance with Soviet Russia.

Rumania is warned that the Anglo-French "imperialists" are seeking to involve her and Turkey in the European war.

The "Comintern" charges Rumania with persecuting the White Russian minorities in Bessarabia, the province which was seized from Russia in 1918.

"Conditions in Bessarabia particularly are unbearable," the paper states, and adds that it is Russia's obligation to "rescue her oppressed brothers."

Rumanian communists are urged to organise a united front against the "warmongers who support the British and French imperialists."

Berlin, Dec. 6 (UP).—Authorized circles decline to comment on the Communist International demand for a Soviet pact with Rumania.

"We must first see how official the article is, and whether it may not be merely a trial balloon," they state.

From Bucharest, it is stated that the reaction in official circles is that Rumania is ready to carefully examine any definite proposals, provided they are in keeping with Rumania's foreign policy of neutrality and demand no territorial concessions or violation of Rumanian independence.

"This attitude won't be changed to fit the plans of others," it is said.

A report from Istanbul says that the German Ambassador, Herr von Papen, suddenly visited the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu, at the National Assembly and urged an immediate audience.

M. Sarajoglu received the Ambassador in his private room in Parliament.

No further details are available.

Hungarian Frontier Closed

After Clash

PARIS, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—A border incident between Soviet and Hungarian troops is reported from Budapest.

Details are lacking, but it is stated that both sides of the frontier (the old Polish frontier) have been closed and that Hungarian troops have been strengthened.

Turkey Threatened?

PARIS, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—Reports reaching here allege that there is an increasing concentration of Soviet troops in the Caucasus.

Rumours are current of an impending Soviet action against Turkey with German military aid. These rumours are not altogether discounted in France, in view of the threatening Communist manifesto towards Rumania and Turkey.

They are given added interest because of the strong Italian stand against Russian expansion in the Balkans.

Hitler Visits An Old Warrior

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Hitler and General Walther von Brauns, Commander-in-Chief of the German Army, paid visits to-day to General von Mackensen on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

The old general is best known for his successful defeat of the Russian army in 1918.

R.A.F. RAIDS NAZI BASES

Successful Attack By British Pilots

LONDON, Dec. 6, (Reuter).—Another raid by British planes on German naval bases is announced in a brief Admiralty statement.

It is indicated that the raid was completely successful and that all machines returned safely.

A Berlin statement, which admits the raid and says that the attack was concentrated against the bases at Schleswig-Holstein, claims that owing to the intensity of the German A.A. fire, the British planes were driven off without being able to drop any bombs.

No bomb, it is asserted, were dropped on German territory.

The allegation is made that British machines escaped over Danish territory.

Assertion Denied

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that R.A.F. aircraft carried out a successful flight over North Germany yesterday evening.

The announcement adds that there is no truth whatever in the German assertion that British aircraft flew over Denmark.

Angry M. P. Apologises

Scene In Commons

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mr. W. Dobbie, the Socialist M.P., at question time to-day referred to the incident in which he was concerned yesterday.

He expressed his regret and explained that he had returned from his constituency, where cases of hardship and the great deal of grievances had impressed him so much that he showed more temper than he had intended.

He apologised to the Speaker and the House.

Magnetic Mines Mastered

WE HAVE NAZIS TAPED, DECLARES ADMIRAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—"We have Germany taped," declared Vice-Admiral Osborne, the British Chief Censor, speaking at the Anglo-American Press Association luncheon.

Emphasising that he was stating his views, he said that they had mastered the magnetic mine which was a novelty, because in the last war they had laid a big minefield in the Dover Roads over which no submarine could pass without being blown up.

"It might be necessary to send minesweepers ahead of convoys but he had no doubt that the mine menace would be overcome."

The Deutschland and other raiders might give lots of trouble, before they were sunk, but he did not doubt that eventually they would be sent to the bottom.

Our Knowledge

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, when asked whether details of the apparatus which makes the detonators of magnetic mines active could now be disclosed, replied that it would be better not to make public at the present time the technical details of our knowledge of these mines.

AIR RAIDS RESUMED

Bomber Shot Down Near Norfolk

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Dome).—Breaking their silence in the past several days, German planes resumed action against England to-day.

One German bomber was shot down near the coast of Norfolk in England, while a flight which appeared over the mouth of the Thames was repulsed by the Royal Air Force.

The Air Ministry has announced that the activity of German aircraft is apparently in order to lay magnetic mines near the coast of England.

German Plane Forced Down

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A German plane came down off the Netherlands coast to-day.

A life-boat rescued the crew after the distress signals were seen.

Raids On East Coast

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—There was some aerial activity on the east coast on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning.

A German plane was brought down in the sea off Norfolk and two others were sunk by searchlights over the Thames Estuary.

They disappeared in a north-easterly direction.

An enemy plane flew over the Orkneys while another was heard over Northern Scotland during the morning.

Mine-Laying Mission

The plane which crashed was a Heinkel reconnaissance machine, believed to have been engaged in mine-laying.

R.A.F. fighter planes went up owing to the darkness and the extremely bad weather, they did not contact the Nazi machine.

The German plane, however, apparently got out of control in the bad weather and after narrowly missing

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Reds May Launch Three Major Offensives

DECISIVE BATTLES BELIEVED NEAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, DEC. 7 (DOME).—IN AN EFFORT TO GAIN A QUICK AND DECISIVE VICTORY IN FINLAND, SOVIET FORCES ARE PREPARING TO LAUNCH SIMULTANEOUS MAJOR ATTACKS FROM THREE DIRECTIONS, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING THE CAPITAL.

It is believed that the three drives will be launched as follows:

In the north from Petsamo, the Arctic coast seaport;

From the Kuopio area westward towards the western coast of Finland, with Tornio, the Gulf of Bothnia port, as their objective. This would, if achieved, cut Finland in two.

From the Gulf of Finland, Red naval forces may attempt to land at various points on the Finnish southern coast, for the purpose of occupying the industrial zone.

Large Soviet forces have already massed at Petsamo and in the Kemarjärvi area.

Finland, on the other hand, is continuing to strengthen its defences. Occupations of the strategic Åland Islands has closed the Gulf of Bothnia to Soviet warships, so that any threat to Finland's western coast must not come overland across Finland's narrow "throat."

Sweden has aided in blocking the Gulf of Bothnia by mining the area between its coast and the Åland Islands. Finland has already mined the area east of the Ålands.

Can't Attack Tornio

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (UP).—Mining of the entrance to the Gulf of Bothnia by Sweden and Finland has, it is believed, excluded all possibility of a Russian naval attack on the strategic seaport of Tornio.

Exclusion of Soviet forces from this area has secured to Finland the vital necessary railway between Finland and Sweden.

It is believed, however, that the Russians intend to attempt to sever this line by an overland attack from Petsamo.

Other major offensives are expected in the south.

The Finns, anticipating the Russian drive from Petsamo, have destroyed the highway from Petsamo to Lillnaphari, thus completely immobilising the Russian mechanised units which cannot cross the precipitous country.

A detachment of 200 Russians have been surrounded at Salmijervi. IT

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LATEST

TOTALITARIAN THREAT

Russian Attack On Balkans And India

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Istanbul Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says that official Turkish quarters maintain complete silence regarding the latest German propaganda stunt, which forecasts Bessarabia and India as Russia's territorial ambitions when the Finnish war is over.

"It is believed that the Russo-German pact not only contained a secret understanding for present Russian expansion in the Baltic but also comprises a pre-conceived plan for Russian action in the Balkans."

"The Russian menace to Bessarabia (the Rumanian province) is held to be very serious and there is a conclusion here that Germany is continually provoking the Russians to take action in the Balkans as soon as possible."

"The menace causes no panic in Ankara," the correspondent adds. "On the contrary there is an ever-growing determination to defend the security of this part of the world while sparing no effort to maintain normal and friendly relations with both Russia and Germany."

"It is not believed in Ankara that Russia will push her ambitions as far as India, but it is emphasised that even the possibility exists and measures must be taken accordingly."

"Puppet" Government Seat Is Bombed

ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Terijoki, seat of the "puppet" Finnish Government, was evacuated following a bombardment by Finnish planes, according to reports from Helsinki.

These reports add that the Russian forces advancing on Petsamo are being machine-gunned from the air by the Finns.

The Finnish Parliament met twice yesterday at a place not revealed.

The Budget Commission submitted to it proposals for a long-term loan of 700,000,000 Finnish marks, and a short-term loan of 1,000,000,000 Finnish marks.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Swedish Prime Minister has confirmed that discussions are proceeding for the formation of a Cabinet on a broader basis.



This map illustrates the areas through which the Soviet may drive.

20,000 RED CASUALTIES

Soviet Pays Big Price For Invasion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 7 (UP).—One week's warfare in Finland has caused more casualties than the entire land, sea and air warfare between Germany and the Allies.

Heavy battles continue on all fronts, especially near Petsamo in the north, north of Lake Ladoga and on the Karelian Isthmus.

Deep snow is hampering Soviet military operations, which are unable to distinguish their objectives.

"General Winter," in fact, is Finland's great ally. Heavy, biting winds and blizzards are hampering the Red Army on the land and ice is blocking the Soviet navy in the Gulf of Finland and along the Arctic coast.

Ill-Equipped Force

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 7 (UP).—Despatches from Helsinki report that the Soviet losses are already 20,000 dead, wounded or captured.

Their gains are under no circumstances commensurate with their losses.

It is estimated that the total invading force consists of 500,000 men, 500 warplanes and 1,000 mechanised units.

Despatches from Rome correspondents indicate that the Russians are poorly clad, ill-fed and badly equipped.

Rome reports claim that they are advancing against Finland only ahead of OGPU machine-guns.

Norwegian Killed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SALMIAEVI, Dec. 7 (UP).—One of the many Norwegians who have volunteered to fight for Finland has been killed on active service.

He is Ensign Reino Linnala. He enlisted for service with the Finnish forces soon after the Russian invasion commenced.

Linnala died in hospital as a result of severe wounds.

"Puppet" Government Seat Is Bombed

ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Terijoki, seat of the "puppet" Finnish Government, was evacuated following a bombardment by Finnish planes, according to reports from Helsinki.

These reports add that the Russian forces advancing on Petsamo are being machine-gunned from the air by the Finns.

The Finnish Parliament met twice yesterday at a place not revealed.

The Budget Commission submitted to it proposals for a long-term loan of 700,000,000 Finnish marks, and a short-term loan of 1,000,000,000 Finnish marks.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Swedish Prime Minister has confirmed that discussions are proceeding for the formation of a Cabinet on a broader basis.

New Aid For Reds?

Reported Soviet Demand To Estonia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 7 (UP).—Finland, although cheered by the reported arrival of between fifty and sixty Italian bombers, is apprehensive of a new danger that appears to be arising.

Reports from Estonia indicate that the Soviet has summoned that country to give greater military co-operation against Finland.

(Estonia was recently forced to sign a pact of mutual assistance with Soviet Russia.)

According to messages from Tallinn, the Estonian Commander-in-Chief, General Laidoner, has been summoned to Moscow.

Charges have already been made that Soviet planes are operating against Finland from the new Soviet bases on Estonian soil.

Fighting On All Fronts

Fighting continues on all fronts in Finland.

The towns of Utie, Simola and Kallin, on the Vamm-Helsingfors Railway, suffered air raids this morning. The A.I. Corps was subsequently given without any Soviet planes being sighted.

The Finnish Legation in London admits that the Soviet forces have penetrated eleven miles on the Karelian front and are now approaching the outer defences of Finland's famous Mannerheim Line.

The Legation confirms the Finnish re-occupation of Hogland Island.

Finnish artillery is now battling with the Soviet naval forces on the north-west coast of Lake Ladoga.

Thrusts Into Finnish Defences

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Russians have thrown the Seventh Army, under General Mereskov, into the region comprising Karelian Isthmus and Lake Ladoga.

The Seventh Army consists of seven divisions and four tank divisions.

Over half of this army is believed to be in the Karelian area, where a series of spear-thrusts were made into the Finnish advanced defences with the intention of reaching the railway line starting at Oulunsalo, in the Bothnian Gulf, and running south-east towards the Russian frontier.

Eighty thousand Russians and 40,000 Finns are said to be fighting in the Karelian Isthmus.

Finns Half A Million Army

The Finnish Army numbers nearly 500,000, and it is stated, includes several Russian commissars, who fought in the civil war of 1917.

Russian troops are reported to be poorly shod, wearing rubber gaiters instead of boots, which are uncomfortable for marching.

The evacuation of towns continues. PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

FINNS RAID SOVIET BASE NEAR MURMANSK

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Finnish air force yesterday carried out another swift raid on a Soviet aerodrome near Murmansk.

The aerodrome was liberally strewn with incendiary bombs, but the effect could not be observed owing to extremely poor visibility.

The raid was reported to have been made for an attack



They Tried To Enter Scapa

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

DURING his weekly resume of naval activities in the House of Commons to-day, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Winston Churchill, revealed that further naval attacks have been made on the naval base at Scapa Flow, where H.M.S. Royal Oak was sunk by a Nazi submarine.

"Several U-Boat commanders have sought to emulate the Scapa Flow exploit," Mr. Churchill said. "They have all failed."

Mr. Churchill's reference to the Asdic method of fighting U-boats is the first use of the term in a public speech.

The naval authorities preserve complete secrecy regarding the device, which is believed to employ a special type of hydroplane apparatus for the detection of submarines by sound.

Reuter and United Press messages.

3 POWERS AID FINNS

Active Support From Britain, U.S., Italy

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—Great Britain, Italy and the United States are either assisting Finland with war materials or are making arrangements to do so.

It is officially announced in London that British firms are to supply considerable amounts of war supplies, including automatic arms, Bren guns and about 20 fighting planes.

The Government will not make use of its priority rights to prevent immediate delivery.

Italy has already sent about 50 planes to Helsinki.

President Roosevelt has been in consultation with Mr. Norman Davis and Mr. Jesse Jones as to the methods by which the United States can lend assistance, financial and so on, to Finland with diplomatic immunity and domestic approbation.

Some speculation is voiced in London as to how long Germany will allow the transport of war materials through the Baltic to Finland.

British Supplies

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (UP).—It has been learned from reliable sources that the British Government has decided to supply Finland with war materials.

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HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) on Tuesday, the 19th December, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

The Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children will be held in the Holena May Institute on Monday, December 11th at 5.30 p.m.

The Meeting is open to all persons interested in the work of the Society.

ANN-CROZIER,
Hon. General Secretary.

A CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS PARTY

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DANISH STEAMER SUNK: SIX DEAD

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Danish steamer, Overtoft, 3,500 tons, was mined in the North Sea on Sunday.

Six were drowned and the remaining 15 of the crew were picked up.

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NEW AID FOR REDS?

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Only a few residents remain at Helsinki.

Many Air Raid Casualties

A journalist to-day visited a hospital 20 miles from Helsinki and saw the victims of air-raids.

There were some hundred adults and 25 children.

Many of the children were terribly injured.

It is reported that the Swedish armaments firm of Bofors is passing on to Finland 25 anti-aircraft guns which were ordered by the Polish Government but could not be delivered in time.

Three spies, alleged to have been discovered sending radio messages to Moscow, were shot to-day.

Attacks Held

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Soviet attacks are being held on all fronts.

During the past few days, over 60 Soviet tanks have been destroyed on the southern front, and many more have been put out of action on the front north of Lake Ladoga, where fierce fighting is taking place in heavy snow.

On the Arctic front, the Finns are holding up the advance of the Russians, who are being constantly re-inforced.

Moscow's Denial

MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio denies the Finnish claims, but makes no claim on behalf of the Soviets.

It is announced that Leningrad's anti-aircraft guns have been in action against Finnish planes.

80 Red Tanks Destroyed

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Eight more Russian tanks were destroyed in the Karelian Isthmus to-day, says a Finnish communiqué.

This makes the total 80 destroyed in this region since hostilities began.

Two big enemy planes were shot down north of Lake Ladoga.

Soviets Deny Losses

MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The headquarters of the Leningrad military area deny the report that 60 Soviet planes were destroyed in a Finnish air-raid on Murmansk.

They state that no raids were carried out by the Finnish or any other air force in the Murmansk area.

Stubborn Resistance

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Stubborn Finnish resistance to the Red invasion continues, and, according to a communiqué issued by General Headquarters, 80 Russian tanks have been destroyed or damaged since the war started.

Air operations to-day were confined to a few reconnaissance flights by Red planes over Petsamo.

Owing to bad weather, Finnish planes over Petsamo, reconnaissance planes and only went up on reconnaissance flights.

Practical Help Forthcoming

Practical help is coming to Finland from countries outside Scandinavia.

In addition there is the suggested American action in returning to Finland the next instalment of her war debt, and of Italy supplying the Finns with planes.

Fifty or sixty Italian planes have already arrived at Helsinki.

The disgust felt over the Russian action was shown in the Danish and Swedish Parliaments to-day when all members, except Communists, walked out when the Communist leader rose to speak.

Patrol Activity On West Front

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there were no events of importance, but that there was patrol activity.

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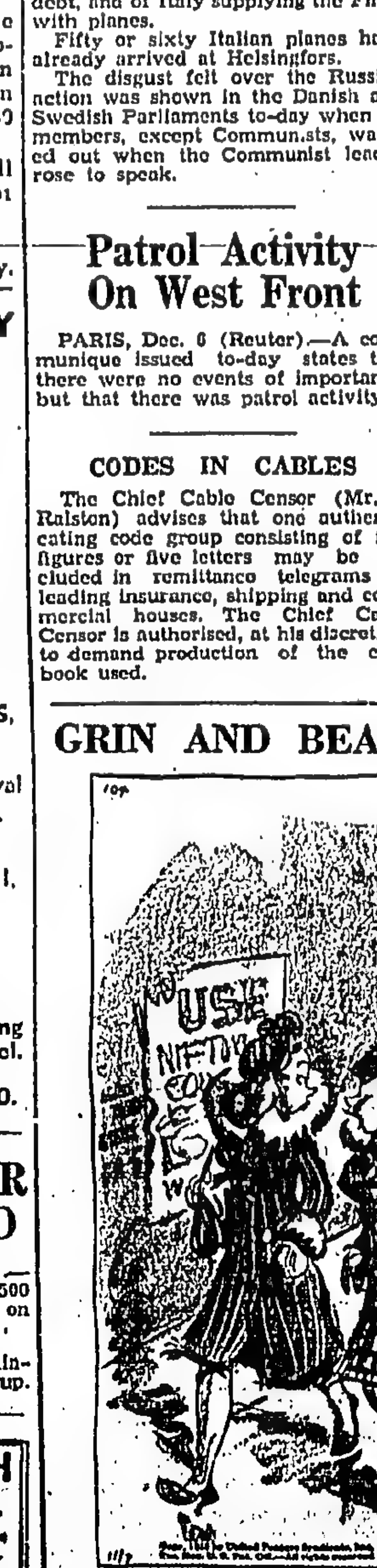
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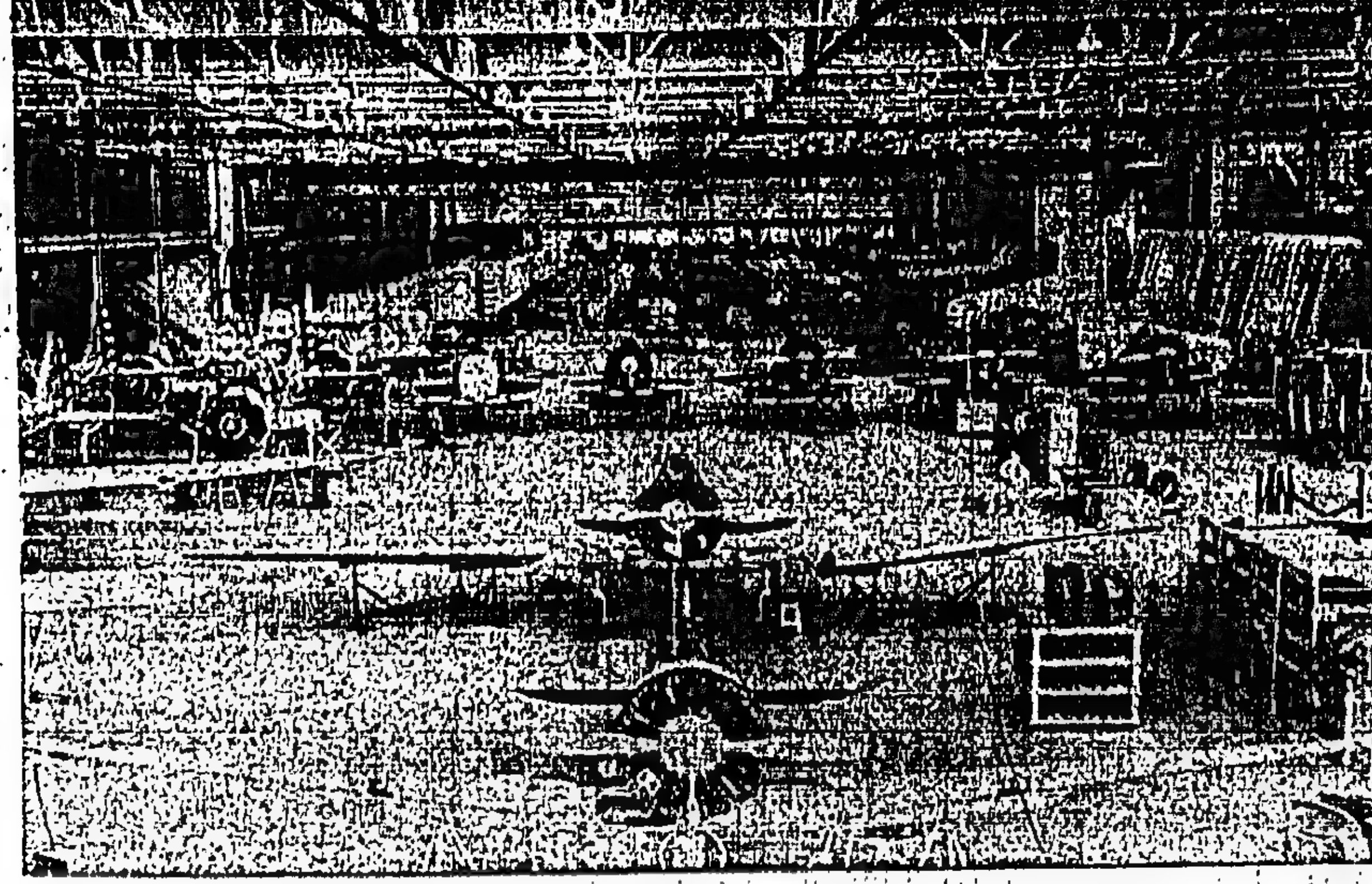
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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Slow down, Gert—ain't you got no respect for age?"



A corner of an American aircraft factory showing, in the foreground, planes having their wings attached.

AIR RAIDS RESUMED

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a gasometer and several buildings, crashed into the sea.

Planes Over Thames

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Dec. 6 (UP).—Air raid alarms were sounded twice in the Orkney Islands.

Planes were heard overhead but were not sighted. They apparently flew in an easterly direction and the all clear signal was sounded after 20 minutes.

German mine-laying planes also flew over the Thames estuary. They were driven off by A. A. fire and Royal Air Force planes. Later a twin motorized plane crashed on the Norfolk coast. The pilot's body was recovered.

Reports from Amsterdam state that the salvage tug Insulindia has gone to the assistance of a plane, believed to be a German, which was forced down in flames. The plane sent an S.O.S. as she came down in the sea northwest of the island of Schiermonnikoog.

Further reports from The Hague state that Dutch anti-aircraft artillery to-day fired at two foreign planes of unknown nationality. The planes disappeared immediately.

£20,000,000 A Day

WASHINGTON.

Europe's present war is costing the British-French-German belligerents possibly £20,000,000 daily in current cash outlay alone. The figure is neither official nor exact but merely an estimate made here to-day from the best available information.

Additional war costs in losses of property, arms and commercial revenues cannot be computed at this time.

The war cost estimate may be too high while on the other hand the costs may rise further if and when wholesale destruction of men, guns, fortifications and ships begins.

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DECISIVE BATTLES BELIEVED NEAR

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is not known whether they managed to penetrate this far inland, or whether they were dropped by parachute.

Heavy snowstorms are hampering the Russians in the Karelian Isthmus area.

Near Main Defences

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

ROME, Dec. 7 (UP).—The Helsinki Correspondent of "Popolo d'Italia" reports that Finland's G.H.Q. anticipates that the invaders will soon contact the main Mannerheim Line.

This line of defences is named after Field Marshal Mannerheim, the Finnish Commander-in-Chief, who achieved the nation's independence 21 years ago and who is again in supreme command of the Finnish forces.

The Soviet Fleet, however, will almost certainly be ice-bound within a few days, and will be immobilised in Kronstadt Bay.

Italian Trained Pilots

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The reports that hundreds of Italian planes are being sent to Finland are not confirmed.

It is admitted, however, that before the Soviet invasion orders were received from Finland for 90 warplanes.

These will be filled as soon as possible, but it is likely that they will have to be delivered overland by train.

Flying them over German territory might cause a Soviet-German incident.

The "Popolo d'Italia" points out that most Finnish aircraft are built in Italy and most of the Finnish pilots are trained in Italy.

Advance in North

MOSCOW, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—A communiqué claims that the Soviets have advanced 20 miles south of Petsamo.

It is also claimed that in the Karelian Isthmus, the Soviet troops have broken the Finnish main defence line along the Vuoksi water system.

3 POWERS AID FINNS

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that supplies from Britain are being sent to Finland.

They include a considerable quantity of war material, notably 20 fighting planes from British firms.

Authoritative quarters state that Germany has offered Finland new rifles at a lower price than those already sent to Finland from Germany, including Czechoslovakian rifles which were reported to have been sent to a northern port and from thence by rail to Helsinki.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/2 3/4
Demand do.	1/2 3/4
T.T. Shanghai	310
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	103
T.T. India	92 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	107
T.T. Australia	1 1/2 1/4

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 3/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 3/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.02
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.92

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$	1,330 b. & sa.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	282 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	284 n.
Chartered \$	8 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$	20 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. \$	11 1/2 n.
East Asia \$	71 b.

INSURANCES

Canton \$	200 b.
Union \$	380 n.
China Underwriter \$	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Fire \$	190 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$	70 b.
Steamboats \$	12 s.
Indo-China, P.S. \$	80 n.
Indo-China, D.S. \$	30 n.
Shells (Bearers) \$	78 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$	8 1/2 n.

DUCKS ETC.

Wharves \$	101 1/2 n.
Docks \$	119 s.
Providents \$	4 1/4 b.
New Eng. Sh. \$	17 1/2 n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$	105 n.

MINING

Kailan \$	18 1/2 n.
Raubs \$	10 n.
Venz. Gold \$	4 s.
H.K. Mines \$	4 cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels \$	4.05 t.
Lands 4 1/2 \$	33 b.
Lands 4 1/2 \$	100 r.
Shal Lands Sh. \$	10.80 n.
Humphreys \$	8 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities \$	4.30 n.
Chinese Estates \$	100 b.

UTILITIES

Trams \$	16.20 b.
Peak Trams (old) \$	80 b.
Peak Trams (new) \$	4 b.
Star Ferries \$	63 1/2 b.
Y. Ferries \$	23 1/4 b.
China Lights (old) \$	7.05 n.
China Lights (new) \$	4.70 n.
H.K. Electric \$	51 1/2 b.
Macao Electric \$	10 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$	11 1/2 b.
Telephones (old) \$	23 1/4 sa.
Telephones (new) \$	7.30 b.
Traction \$	18 1/2 n.
Traction (Prof.) \$	18 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) \$	3.14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) \$	13 n.
Canton Ice \$	1 n.
Cements \$	15 1/4 b.
H.K. Ropes \$	5.10 b.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) \$	20.10 b.
Dairy Farms (new) \$	10 1/2 b.
Watsons \$	8 1/4 b.
Lane, Crawford's \$	7 1/4 n.
Sinceres \$	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	41 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$	23 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. \$ ex. div.	181 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$	42 n.
Wing On Textiles Sh. \$	48 1/2 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$	628 b.
Constructions (old) \$	1.75 b.
Constructions (new) \$	1.75 n.
Vibro Piling \$	8 1/2 n.
Ch. (Inv. 5% 1925)	1925

G. Bonds

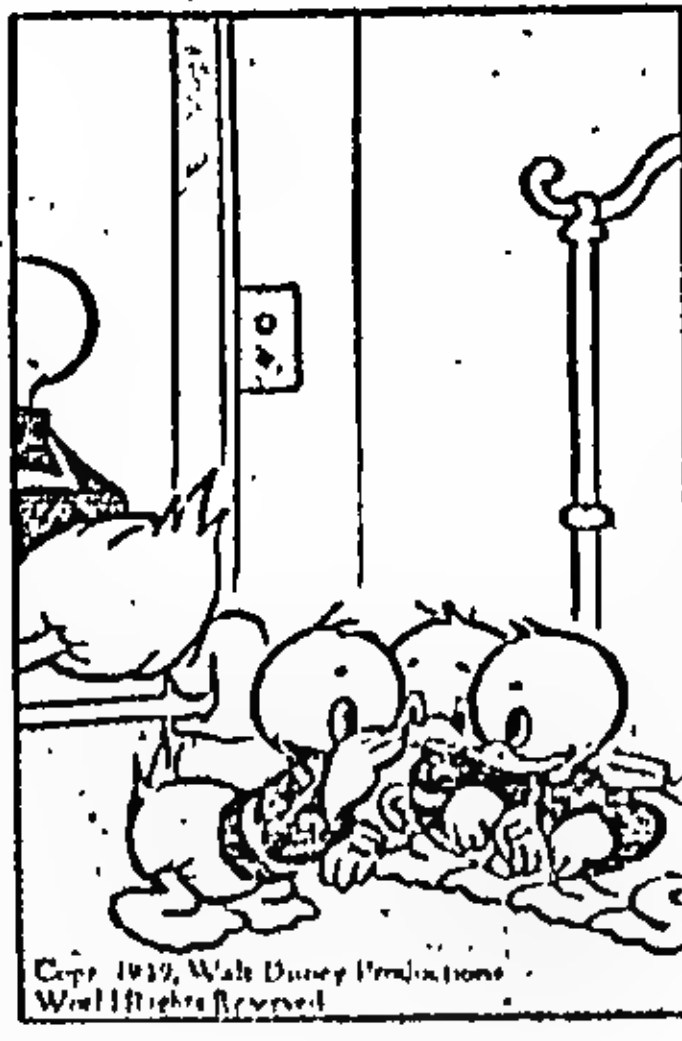
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	97 b. & sa.
Marmans (Lon.) \$	114 1/2 n.
Marmans (H.K.) \$	1 1/2 n.

Chinese Casualties

Chungking, Dec. 6.

Forty thousand Chinese civilian casualties, including 20,000 killed, are the result of Japanese air raids in 10 provinces in China during seven months between January and July this year, according to

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WU PEI-FU'S MEMORY IS LAUDED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 7 (Central).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Yu Yu-jen, President of the Control Yuan, and Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, have sent messages of condolence to the family of the late Marshal Wu Pei-fu, who died in Peiping on Monday night.

The Generalissimo's message highly lauded the Marshal's adamant attitude towards repeated Japanese overtures recently, and said that his sterling character will be remembered by posterity.

Consulate Official Found Dead

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Walter Engleberg, Secretary of the German Consul General, was found dead in his Brooklyn house with his skull smashed.

There were signs of a struggle. The police found enough supplies of food and wine in Engleberg's house to keep a man for a year, as well as 18 packing cases of dried and tinned food in the garage.

Blow With Axe?
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (UP).—The medical examiner said that Herr Engleberg was killed yesterday. The specific cause of death was a blow on the head which split the skull open.

It is believed that the blow was struck with an axe. Other blows were struck with some heavy weapon.

Detectives believe that vengeance was the probable motive because several of the blows were struck after death.

The German Embassy at Washington said they would await a full report before deciding whether or not to act.

Official quarters in Berlin flatly decline to comment. Other authorised German circles said they would have to await further details before any comment would be possible.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE BUDGET WILL AMOUNT TO £775,000,000

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 7 (Domel).—The United States will spend the colossal total of US\$3,100,000,000 (£775,000,000) on its Defence Budget in the coming fiscal year, according to the Washington Correspondent of the "New York Times".

This easily exceeds all previous Defence Budgets. It is an increase of US\$2,000,000,000 over 1938; represents an outlay of US\$24 per head of population; is exceeded by other nations' peace-time expenditure by Germany and Great Britain, and only by the latter in 1939; exceeds Britain's 1938 expenditure by \$1,400,000,000; exceeds the 1939 Defence Budget by \$500,000,000.

Navy Expenditure

Expenditure on the Navy will total US\$1,300,000,000. This will include additional expenditure on Fleet expansion.

The Army will request \$1,800,000,000, which will include expansion of personnel, and improvement of equipment.

The "New York Times" correspondent believes that Congress may demand modification of this colossal programme.



Lloyd George Looks Back, Finds Hope

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6, (Reuter).—A review of the methods whereby victory was attained in the last war was given by Mr. Lloyd George, the War Premier, in a wireless talk to-night.

He said that it was difficult to realise that there was a time when not only Germany but many neutrals had anticipated a victory for the Central Powers.

"I recall this situation as an encouragement for the times when we may be passing through a bad spell," he concluded.

BIG BLACKOUT PROBLEMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6, (UP).—Coincident with the relaxation of several blackout restrictions, an architect has submitted a plan for "roofing" the sidewalks of the busy shopping districts to mitigate the astronomical losses in retail commerce caused by the shorter winter days and the return to standard time.

Stores in the western area, yesterday, were permitted for the first time since the war began to have subdued window lighting after the blackout, but few took advantage of this, presumably waiting to compare an alternative system used by competitors before they undertook the expense.

China War Front Despatches

FIERCE FIGHTING IS REPORTED

FIGHTING on the Nanning-Pingyang highway continues unabated, states "Central News" messages received in the Colony this morning.

The messages claim that despite day and night Japanese bombardment, the Chinese are holding their positions intact.

It is also alleged that the Japanese troops at Kaofeng, a strategic pass on the Nanning-Wuming highway, about 14 miles north of Nanning, have been repulsed.

The Japanese are exerting efforts to repair the highways on the south bank of the Wukang River without success owing to extensive China guerrilla activity.

Japanese Air Raids

Chienkiang, north-east of Pingyang in Central Kwangsi, was raided twice by Japanese aircraft yesterday.

Six other Japanese machines in the meantime bombed Kweping at the confluence of the Wat and Hsun Rivers, dropping scores of bombs.

Hingyeh, north-west of Wafam, and Wuhuan, north-west of Kweping, were also ruthlessly bombed by Japanese machines.

The Kwangsi Provincial Government has issued a circular order to all schools in the province exhorting them to carry on calmly in spite of the Japanese invasion.

They are asked to assist the local government in arousing the masses and make them co-operate with the Chinese troops.

Fighting in North

In the northern fighting, it is stated heavy casualties have been suffered by the Japanese in the fighting now in progress in the Chungtao mountain range in South Shansi.

Well, It's Their Funeral

A saxophone and case valued at \$100 was stolen from Lo Chung-how, Nathan Road, yesterday by means of a trick.

Snatched Bangle From A Child

Arrested by two members of the Chinese Peace Preservation Corps after snatching a bangle from a child in St. Francis Street, Wong Yukt, 22, appeared before Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy this morning, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Acting Sub-Inspector Clarke said Wong had a previous conviction for larceny.

Thefts And Losses

Chan Lau-lar, of 231 Queen's Road East, had a \$100 note snatched from him while changing money in Johnston Road yesterday.

A handbag containing \$40 in money and three cheques valued at \$500 were lost by Shek Shiu-liu, of the To Kwan School, while shopping at No. 707 Nathan Road, yesterday.

Major Simpson, 140 Argyle Street, reports the loss of a lady's handbag and contents valued at \$51.

Goodwill Mission To Chungking

CHUNGKING, Dec. 7 (Central).—A Burmese Goodwill Mission will arrive in Chungking by plane on December 12.

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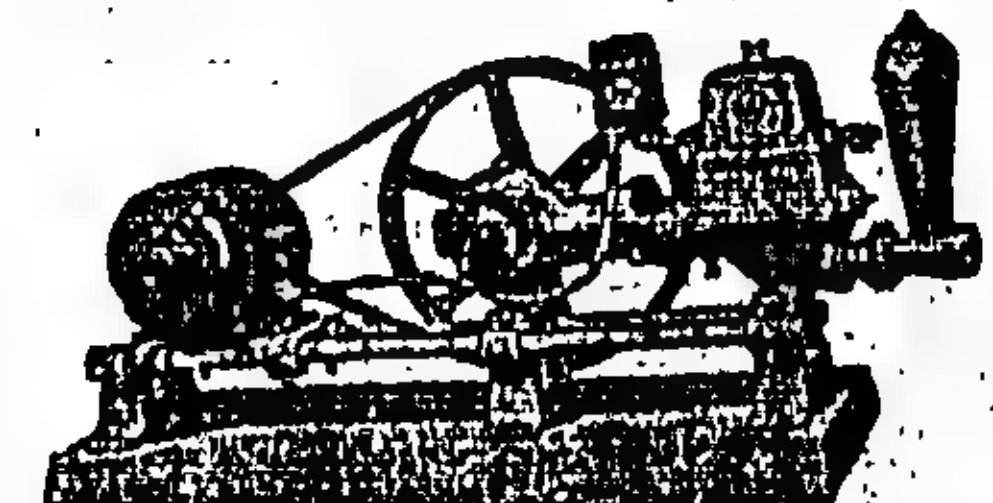
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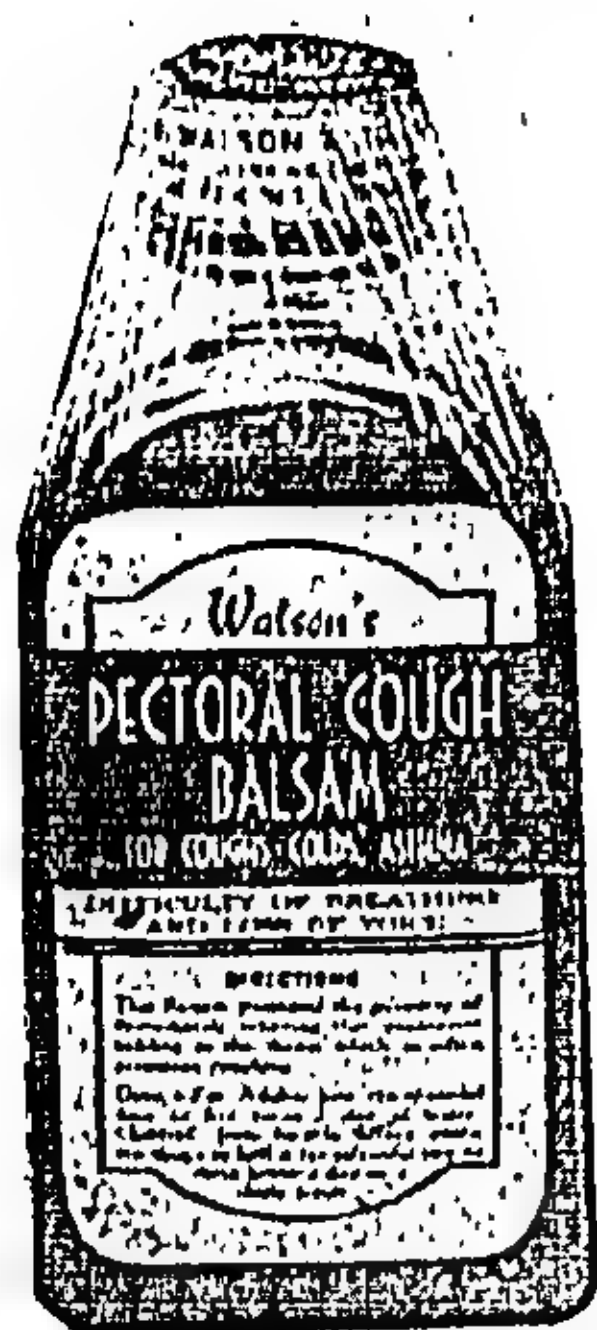
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Chaos in Civilisation

THE depths of impotence to which member nations have dragged the League of Nations is no better exemplified than by the Russian invasion of Finland. For Soviet Russia this year was President of the League of Nations—the highest League post which any member-nation could attain.

But may not the fantastic situation which has arisen in the world, where three groups of rival nations are at war, lead to a revivification of Geneva? It can be done—if the world will only give Geneva the chance to carry out its charter.

World horror at the Red aggression against the tiny Finnish Republic is greater than that caused by any act of aggression in the past. The League still has many supporters. Most of them are small countries, boasting of no armaments or war-like means to check aggressors. But unity is strength. The unity of a dozen small countries can smash, by economic means, any but the strongest of the big Powers.

Finland, indeed, has shown the smaller countries what resistance to aggression can accomplish. The firm attitude adopted by that tiny country, which fights a fore-doomed battle, has aroused the admiration of the peoples of democracies and totalitarianisms alike. The Finns have dug in their heels and let it be known that in no circumstances will they give way to unjustifiable aggression.

Their morale will be strengthened by the vigorous support which is coming from other small nations. The Argentine's demand for a League boycott of Russia is a step in the right direction. Russia can no more stand the concerted blockade of the world's small countries—a blockade which could be accomplished without navies or air forces—than can Germany stand the blockade imposed by the navies of France and Great Britain.

It is early to prophesy. Finland, unhappily, will almost certainly be overrun, for she lacks the manpower of the Soviet. Whatever the outcome of the Finnish adventure, however, the country likely to suffer most after Finland is Germany. Russia is quite evidently consolidating her position in the Baltic vis-a-vis Germany, and intends to be in a position to resist any now Hitlerian eastward impulse.



The FUEHRER: Make that shell-burst look more real or I don't go on.
Hitler has again postponed his visit to the Western Front.

HITLER'S DILEMMA UNDER PRESSURE

HITLER to-day stands at the supreme crisis of his strange, meteoric career. On his next decision hangs something not less important to him than the future of Germany. His own future and that of his regime are at stake.

By gross miscalculation and bungling diplomacy he has faced himself with Hobson's choice. Either he must capitulate and accept peace on such terms as the world may impose or he must fling the whole of his resources into a single gigantic effort to break the Allied resistance.

The hesitations of Berlin during the past fortnight suggest that the Nazi leaders are alive to all the implications of their dilemma. Divided counsel can be deduced from the confusion and contradictions of the statements which pour out of the German Capital. How could it be otherwise?

IT was the essence of the Hitler plan for 1939 that the Eastern objectives should be gained without engaging Germany in war with the Western Powers. Even at the moment it is conceivable that the arch-strategist still clings to a belief that the war can be stopped and his meagre gains conserved. But if such hope persists it has by now become very slender.

We may recall his oft-repeated boast, "If they oppose me I shall crush them." This probably provides the clue to Hitler's impulse to-day. But does he retain undiminished his powers of absolute control? When a country is at war the influence of the fighting chiefs is increased, and there are reports that the German General Staff has lost something of the confidence it might have felt two months ago.

Clearly the Service Departments have developed a supreme contempt for the Party's handling of German diplomacy. It could hardly be otherwise for within two months Ribbentrop has succeeded in converting a situation of some promise into one which must appear grimly barren.

At the end of July, the Reich, on paper, could count on support from Italy and Spain, with possibly an effective diversion in the Far East. Nor was it certain that other European States, impressed by an appearance of Axis superiority, might not throw in their lot with the Central Power. To-day Germany stands alone, without one real friend.

The nightmare of the old German General Staff is realised—Germany, without allies, committed to war against a coalition of unknown proportions.

REALISING, too late, that the Western Powers would fight in pursuit of their engagements, Ribbentrop was despatched to Moscow to negotiate the terms for Soviet neutrality. And it is the mark of Germany's weakness and anxiety that he should have paid so heavy a price to Moscow.

In Poland he has conceded to Russia a good strategic frontier in place of a bad one. Germany, on the other hand, has been obliged to assume responsibility for 20,000,000 bitterly hating people leavened only by some 750,000 persons with racial affinities towards the new rulers. In the Baltic the Nazi diplomats have abandoned all hope of expansion north of East Prussia and have surrendered to Russia all the ports north of Memel, which itself may

also have to be handed back to Lithuania.

A few weeks before the outbreak of war German admirals were explaining that the functions of the German Fleet would be to maintain undisputed supremacy in the Baltic. To-day the Nazis have conceded three-quarters of the Baltic to Russia and have entrusted to Russian keeping the sea routes by which Germany receives vital imports of raw materials from Sweden and Finland.

Finally they have allowed Russia to become the arbiter of the extent to which they can pursue their dream of domination over the Balkans. No longer can the boast be upheld that Germany will extend her frontiers to embrace all areas containing German minorities. Instead, at Russia's behest, those minorities are being hurriedly recalled; forced to abandon their homes and possessions to start a new life in the Reich.

The Stalin achieves one more of the objectives for which he struggled during the long-drawn-out negotiations this year with France

and Britain. He then spoke of the dangers of "indirect aggression" hinting that German minorities in the Baltic States were preparing the way for German operations aimed against Russia. Britain and France declined to give him a blank cheque to act as he thought necessary to guard against this danger. But, taking a leaf from Hitler's book on technique, Stalin has imposed his will on the Baltic States and, in the same moment, has compelled Germany to renounce all vestige of excuse for "staging a come-back" later.

BY establishing a common Russo-German frontier, under the superficial cover of friendly relations, Stalin has facilitated Bolshevik political penetration of the German territories. At the same time he has allowed Hitler to convert Germany into the second largest Slav State in Europe. To remove the obvious dangers thus created for Germany Hitler will have to negotiate population transfers on a hitherto unprecedented scale.

Reverses have thus been imposed

on a weak Germany by Russia, because Germany is at war and is not Germany, in fact, by her attack on Poland, has enabled Stalin to rebuild the Imperial Russia of the Tsars without the loss of a single man or the firing of a shot.

Writing on this page a few days ago, Mr. H. C. Bailey examined the potential material aid which Russia could give to Germany, and concluded that, in the immediate future, this would be of little value. None the less, there are those who hold that Russia does not wish to see Germany collapse before the Allies and, with this in mind, may render her such help as is possible.

Conversely, a victorious Germany, if not too weakened in the struggle, might again face East to redress the disadvantages she has suffered at Russia's hands.

It is probably a safe assumption, therefore, that the policy of the Kremlin will be to let the extent of its aid, or intervention, be conditioned by the actual course of hostilities. Here, then, is another

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WINTERS THAT CHANGED DESTINIES OF NATIONS

By Frank Robertson

ONE of the things that people have missed in England and France, and Germany as well for that matter, since the outbreak of war has been the familiar voice of the announcer reading out the weather forecast.

The reason is that in these days when wars are fought as much in the air as on land and sea, it is vital that information about the weather should be kept from the enemy. Weather forecasts in modern warfare are valuable State secrets.

This was not realised until the last Great War, and it is said that the meteorologist who volunteered to help the British Expeditionary Force in 1914 had his offer rejected by the staff, who refused to take his proposal seriously, and who asked him whether he thought that the army put up umbrellas whenever it rained. After all perhaps General Staffs were not so wise in the opening days of the Great War as were the generals of ancient Rome, who never began a battle until their augurs, the meteorologists of those days, had carefully studied the weather signs from the nearest hill. They were wiser than they knew, for there are many instances of how such blind forces as a sudden change of wind or an unexpected fall of rain, the premature arrival of winter, an unusually sharp frost, have helped to change the course of history.

ONE striking example of this occurred in 1917 and resulted in the smashing of the German Zeppelin fleet, after which the enemy no longer played any faith in those dirigibles. On the night of October 19-20 thirteen zeppelins started for England and nine of them got over London and dropped some bombs. Then an unexpected depression developed over the Atlantic and the winds drove them away to the north. They were driven southward over France and had to descend out of the air to escape their captives. Four were brought down and the flagship captured intact.

Weather forecasts are also valuable in land warfare, since an offensive like that of the Passchendaele, carried out in bad weather will undoubtedly fail. That makes has come to be one of ill-omen, for the water-logged land of Flanders made rapid movement almost impossible. On the other hand the Germans were more fortunate about six months later, for a mist enveloped their attack in March, 1918, enabling them to effect a surprise, and the Allies were driven back for a considerable distance.

A STRIKING instance of the part played by frost in the history of the world is seen in the French revolutionary war against Holland in the winter of 1794. The Dutch had hoped that their fleet would make the position of the invader intolerable, but nature took a hand. The French General was able to march his troops across the frozen rivers Meuse and Waal, and it captured the whole of the Dutch navy lying in the harbour. His decision to make the attempt, to a large extent, was influenced by the famous weather forecast of De Jonval, who during his long imprisonment in Utrecht, had studied the spiders, and had found that they were excellent weather prophets.

Weather played a decisive part in Napoleon's defeat in Russia, although he consulted in meteorologists instead of spiders. The French leader planned his march upon detailed information given him regarding the climate of Russia. Unfortunately for his plans, the winter set in earlier and was more severe than usual. Then came a sudden thaw, which turned the roads into marshes and melted the ice, and the whole of Napoleon's great army melted away too at the hands of Nature and the Russian raiders.

THE Dardanelles campaign in 1916 provides another instance of weather playing a large part in a campaign at sea. It is said that this was the worst blow the weather dealt the Allies during the last Great War. British warships, tried to force the straits and the move almost suc-

ceeded, when a four day gale set in and the ships were forced to run for the open sea. This ruined all chances of surprise and gave the Turks a chance to strengthen their fortifications. After landings had been effected and bad weather still held the Allied troops and terrible heat in November, followed by awe-ful cold and a blizzard that raged for three days incapacitated 3,000 men. Evacuation was imperative, and this was carried out safely. Hardly had the last foothold been relinquished than a fierce gale broke. Thus at the end the weather was kind, for had this gale taken place during embarkation losses would have been heavy.

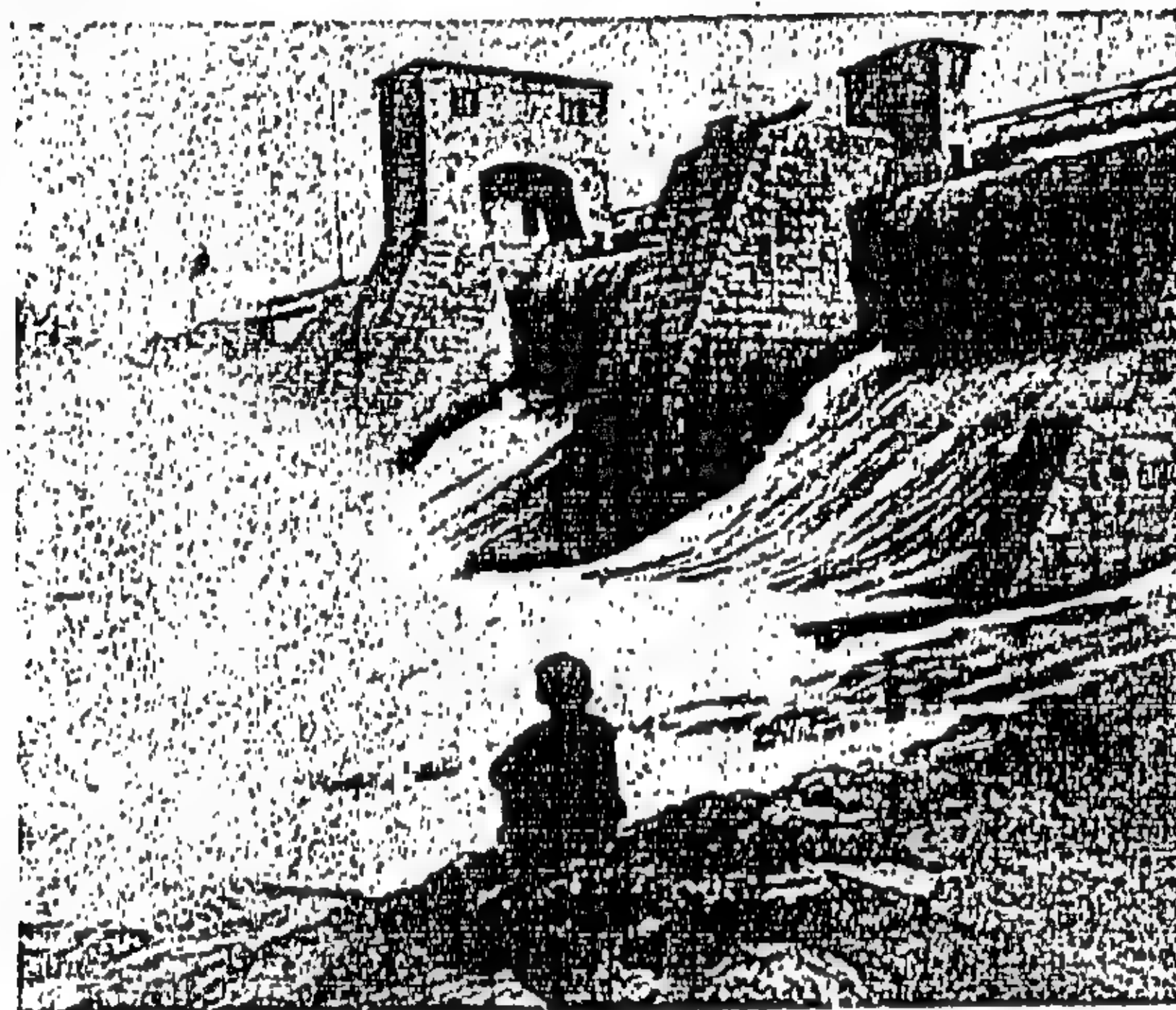
These examples prove how much weather affects campaigns on sea, in the air and on land. Therefore, every effort is made to keep the weather conditions over warring countries a secret. It might be suggested that this scheme hits both ways, as both sides are likewise affected. In the case of Germany and Great Britain this is not so. England is a small fully informed about the weather over Germany than the Germans are about that over England. The reason is that the greater part of English weather comes from the Atlantic and it moves from France and Britain across Germany.

EVERY day hundreds of reports are received from all over the northern hemisphere, and from ships in the Atlantic, which enable meteorologists to forecast British and French weather. Similarly these reports help the British to get correct forecasts of the weather over Germany. Weather experts in Germany are unable to get forecasts of weather over the British Isles and they try to make up for this deficiency by using radio messages from ships at sea and from Neutral countries. From 1914-18 Norwegian meteorologists worked out some principles of weather forecasting which they used when debarrered from using ordinary reports. But these are not nearly accurate for the needs of the fighting states. Weather, therefore, plays almost as great a part in winning wars as does economic power, morale, and of course armies and navies and air forces.

Churchill Triumphantly Says — NAZIS BEATEN ON HIGH SEAS

DAMAGED BY RED BOMBS

Finland's famous hydro-electric works at Imatra, which have been damaged by Red bombs. These works supply Helsinki with electricity and are one of several big undertakings of a similar nature in Finland. The country derives much of its wealth from its water, which is also proving a major obstacle to the Russian advance.



MOSCOW-CHUNGKING AIR LINE OPENS General Ho Yao-tsu Makes First Trip To Soviet Capital

CHUNGKING, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—General Ho Yao-tsu, Director of the Executive Office of the Generalissimo's headquarters, left Chungking yesterday morning for Moscow aboard the Chinese Ministry of Communications' airliner, "Chungking," which inaugurated the through air traffic between the two capitals, according to an official announcement made here today.

He arrived safely yesterday evening at Lanchow, capital of Kansu, according to a telegram received here, and was scheduled to continue his flight to Moscow this morning.

Will Meet Red Leaders
General Ho Yao-tsu, it is understood, had originally planned to leave on September 25, but on hearing that arrangements on the new air route had not yet been completed, postponed his departure until yesterday.

Among the notables gathered at the airport yesterday to see him off were General Ho Ying-ching, General Chang Chih-chung, the chief A.D.C. to the Generalissimo, and representatives of the Foreign Office and the Soviet Embassy.

It is announced that upon his arrival at Moscow, General Ho will call on Soviet leaders.

SHIP'S PAINTER SERIOUSLY HURT

While working on board an E & A liner in Kowloon Dock yesterday Wong Kwong-ling, 35, painter, fell into the No. 1 dock, and was sent to Kowloon hospital in a serious condition.

Shanghai Street Fire Aftermath

Mr. C. W. Brand, Hongkong Fire Brigade, has reported to the Police that a gun-metal nozzle valued at \$12 was either lost or stolen during the fire at Shanghai Street on Sunday.

House Of Lords To Meet In Secret

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Lord Stanhope announced in the House of Lords today that the Government was prepared to agree to a secret session of the House next week, either on Tuesday or Thursday.

The date could be arranged between the parties.

The object of the session was to discuss the Ministry of Supply.

Mussolini Sees Ley

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mussolini had hours of conversation with the German Labour Front Leader, Dr. Robert Ley.

They Only Attack Neutrals Now

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill, said that the destruction of U-boats is proceeding in accordance with the estimate

previously given, namely, two to four a week, or faster than the Germans can replace them.

"Last week, I am inclined to think, certainly five met their fate from our flotillas, or in co-operation with the R.A.F.," said Mr. Churchill.

The First Lord added that these results were independent of those attained by the French Navy.

Over 1,000 merchantmen were armed for defence and before long there would be over 2,000 ships armed.

Royal Navy Losses

The Royal Navy up to now had lost 50,000 tons of warships.

"But we are now building nearly 1,000,000 tons of warships, nearly which is now in an advanced stage," added Mr. Churchill.

Referring to German claims to the mastery of the seas, Mr. Churchill said that Britain had begun the war with 21,000,000 tons of merchant shipping, out of which she had lost during three months, about 400,000 tons.

Against this, she had gained by transfer from foreign flags, by prizes taken from the enemy and by new vessels building on a large scale about 280,000 tons, leaving a net loss of about 40,000 tons.

For every thousand tons of British shipping sunk, 110,000 had entered British ports.

Losses in protecting warships of the Navy were necessarily heavier in proportion than those of protecting merchant ships, as they had to risk greater risks because they had to seek out enemy destroyers and submarines.

LETTERS

FIRE-TRAPS

To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—I read with great interest your editorial in your issue of the 5th instant concerning the disastrous fire in Shanghai Street on Sunday night and quite agree with your remarks.

Government ought to introduce immediately emergency legislation to improve or to pull down the old types of Chinese tenement houses of three or four-stories high, both in Hongkong and Kowloon, in order to prevent a repetition of such a catastrophe.

One with such an appalling loss of life (fifty-three dead and twenty-two seriously injured now lying critically in the Kowloon Hospital, according to the report of your issue today) and one which must have struck horror as well as sympathy to the core of every human being.

H. F. K.

AFTER 26 YEARS

Thief Repeats His Crime

Chan Fuk, 41, unemployed, who was convicted on a charge of larceny 26 years ago, was this morning sentenced to a month's hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistrate's Court for the theft of a whistle from Cheng Shu, 42, fish dealer, in Jordan Road yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. Baldwin said a district watchman who was following Chan, saw him mix into a crowd watching a show in Jordan Road, and extracted a whistle from Cheng's jacket pocket.

NEW PALESTINE CONCESSION

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—It is announced that the persons who left Palestine during the recent disturbances are now permitted to return.

This does not include those who had committed acts of violence or criminal offences, or against whom formal expulsion orders had been made.

For these there will be no immunity.

It was warfare of the Irish Republican Army type—of leaving bomb parcels in an office at a railway station.

The magnetic mine might perhaps be Hitler's much-vaunted secret weapon.

BRITAIN WON'T DISCRIMINATE London Report Denied

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively stated here that the "United Press" message, alleged to have originated in London and published in Shanghai on December 5 and repeated by the Chungking radio, that the British Government had decided to avoid depriving Japan of shipments of arms and munitions, is entirely without foundation, states a special commentary issued today.

No such decision has been taken.

Britain's War Progress Finds Favour With The Press

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Discussing Sir Samuel Hoare's statement on Tuesday, the "Daily Telegraph" says that it gave impressive figures of the present war output, and of the great progress being made.

The "Times," however, says that no comparisons should be made between 1914 and 1939. The real question is "How far are we advanced in supplies and organisation of economic policy as compared with 1917 or 1918? The expenditure is commensurate with these years. Our economic policy is already commensurate in principle. When will it be comparable in results?"

Secret Session Approved

Discussing the secret session of Parliament, most of the papers say that it will enable important matters to be discussed without giving information to the enemy.

"The News Chronicle" was typical in its comment that by means of a secret session, members will be able to get up and give out information which has come to their attention and which may be true or false.

"Everybody will feel better afterwards," says the paper.

Futile Nazi Raids

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—On the Western Front the Germans are trying to carry out patrol raids with the object of securing prisoners.

There were no less than six of these within 24 hours in the Lorraine sector.

The raiders were repulsed, and far from getting any prisoners, several Germans were captured by the French.

KUHN BECOMES "NO. 97,362"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
OSSINING, N.Y., Dec. 6 (UP).—Fritz Kuhn, convicted of theft of the funds of the German-American Bund, today became No. 97,362 in Sing Sing Prison.

He entered the famous State Penitentiary at noon today, and will remain there for at least two years.

Kuhn was sentenced to between 2½ and 3 years imprisonment. He was committed when he entered prison. He kept his eyes straight ahead and took no notice of curious bystanders or newspapermen.

Kuhn was photographed, fingerprinted and given prison garb. For the next two years his name will no longer be mentioned in prison records.

BIG CONTRABAND DETENTIONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A total of 13,700 tons of contraband were detained by the British Contraband Control in the week ended December 2.

During the fortnight ended November 11, the French control detained 35,300 tons.

Total contraband detained by the Allied Control since the beginning of the war is approximately 735,000 tons.

IMPRESSED BY WAR EFFORT

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Colonel Decays Reitz, the South African representative to the Empire, is in London, flying home.

Before he left, he said that he had been very impressed by the Allied war effort, and by all he had seen and heard.

He praised the co-operation between the Dominions and the Mother country.

Hugenberg Escape To Switzerland

PARIS, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Alfred Hugenberg, the German industrial magnate, has fled into Switzerland, according to a radio announcement.

Nazi Liner Captured British Warships Effect Coup

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—British warships have captured the German liner, Usukuma, 7,834 tons, in the South Atlantic, it is officially announced.

The officers and crew are safely aboard a British ship.

Despite the attempt of the crew to scuttle the Usukuma, she may be salvaged and taken as a prize to port.

German Ships Sift Unarmed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Neither of the two German ships, Windhuk and Adolph Wurm, which left Lonto Bay on November 16 was armed, according to information in possession of the British Government.

This statement was made by Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, at question time in the House of Commons today.

The latter vessel was scuttled, while the Windhuk was known to have been searched at one time by Portuguese authorities while in port.

Mr. Butler explained that it was no part of the duties of a neutral power to prevent the departure of unarmed merchant vessels of belligerents from their harbours, and the British Government gratefully recognised that the Portuguese Government had scrupulously observed their obligations throughout the course of the present hostilities.

British Ship Missing

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—A British steamer, the Huntsman, is reported to be missing says an Admiralty announcement. Six of the crew of a Danish 2,500-ton steamer were drowned when the vessel struck a mine in the North Sea and sank.

Greek Steamer Sinks

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Greek steamer, Paralos, 3,034 tons, bound from Antwerp to Piraeus with a cargo of German coal, was sunk either by a mine or a torpedo in the Thames Estuary.

Three were killed and 22 rescued.

Norwegian Steamer Sunk

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—The Norwegian steamer Primula, 1,024 tons, sank after an explosion in the North Sea.

Eight are missing.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Yesterday's pace has slackened slightly, possibly owing to the short session. At the same time there is no easing in price levels.

Buyers

Bank of China	\$1.350
Bank of East Asia	\$1.71
Canlon Ind.	\$2.00
Chartered	\$7.0
Docks	\$1.0
Harbour	\$4.20
Ind. and Com.	\$4.05
Land	\$3.0
Overseas	\$1.00
Peak Tram (Old)	\$7.00
Peak Tram (New)	\$1.00
Star Ferry	\$0.50
Wharfedale	\$2.0
Electricity	\$1.15
London & Lancs	\$1.15
Telephone (Old)	\$2.0
Telephone (New)	\$1.0
Forex	\$1.0
Hope	\$1.0
Daily News (Old)	\$2.0
Daily News (New)	\$1.0
Entertainment	\$1.0
Pipes	\$1.0
Cement	\$1.0
Dairy Farms (Old)	\$2.0
Walton	\$1.0

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London & Lancs	\$1.15
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Telephone (New)	\$1.0
Forex	\$1.0
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NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the American Ambassador to London, who arrived here by air, told reporters that the British Government had not the slightest expectation that the United States would enter the war.

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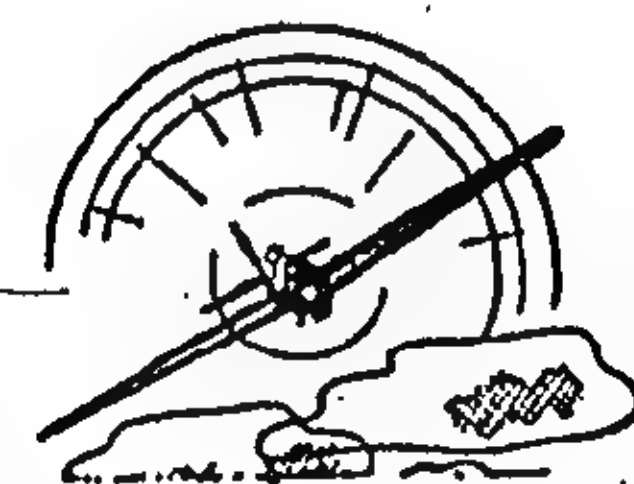
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

H.K. LADIES OUTPLAY RECREIO

Promising Start By Radio: C.B.A. Possess A Fine Team

HONGKONG LADIES obtained their first victory in the Caer Clark Cup last Saturday, defeating the Recreio Ladies 2-0 at King's Park. In the second half of the game the Island team outplayed their opponents and played themselves into position of complete mastery. It was, however, through their two wingers that the visitors were successful.

Miss Marr, on the right wing, was much too clever for the Recreio defenders, and Miss Purves at the other end made headway with the ball in much the faster way than any other forward on the field.

Miss Purves added the second goal after a brilliant solo effort, and it was from one of her centres that Mrs. Dalziel opened the scoring. Miss Basket saved finely on two occasions, and Miss Gray and Miss Stratton, the backs, carried each other splendidly with inspired confidence.

RECREIO's forwards often combined well and had they utilised all their chances they would have obtained a point.

Miss F. Figueredo and Miss B. Remedios worked well together but their shooting was poor. The attack in general helped towards their own downfall by persisting in attempts to dribble the ball and to carry out close attacks. These were very bad tactics and they could not hope to penetrate the Hongkong Ladies' defence in that way. The defence, however, showed up very well indeed. Miss Z. Barros in goal was sound with her clearances, and Mrs. M. Silva was the better full-back. But Miss P. Gonsalves, at centre-half, took the day's honours. What the Recreio's forwards need is a good deal of hard hitting practice.

RADIO and Postal Sports Club commenced the Tournament in grand style when at Caroline Hill last Friday they accounted for a strong Police XI by 2-1 this being the best game in the series so far. Then again on their home ground on Sunday morning they trounced the Royal Signals.

Against the Corps, after about five minutes, Radio took control of the game and goals came at regular intervals through G. Singh, P. Pinto and Awtar Singh.

K. Singh, the youthful schoolboy player, formed an excellent combination with G. Singh on the right flank and J. M. Pinto was a constructive inside left. The whole of the defence gave the impression of taking things too easily; before the stronger teams they will certainly have to put more snap into their game. The Caroline Hill ground is now in good condition and it would not be long before the champions will jump into their true form once again.

THERE was no good hockey shown by the Signals, as the passing, was disjointed and uneven, but the defence showed up more prominently in the latter half when Trustcott in goal made some brilliant saves. Gorman worked very hard at centre-half and Husband, who led the at-

tack with vigour, was rewarded with the only goal for his side. It was a one-sided match, and the visitors' defence were much overworked.

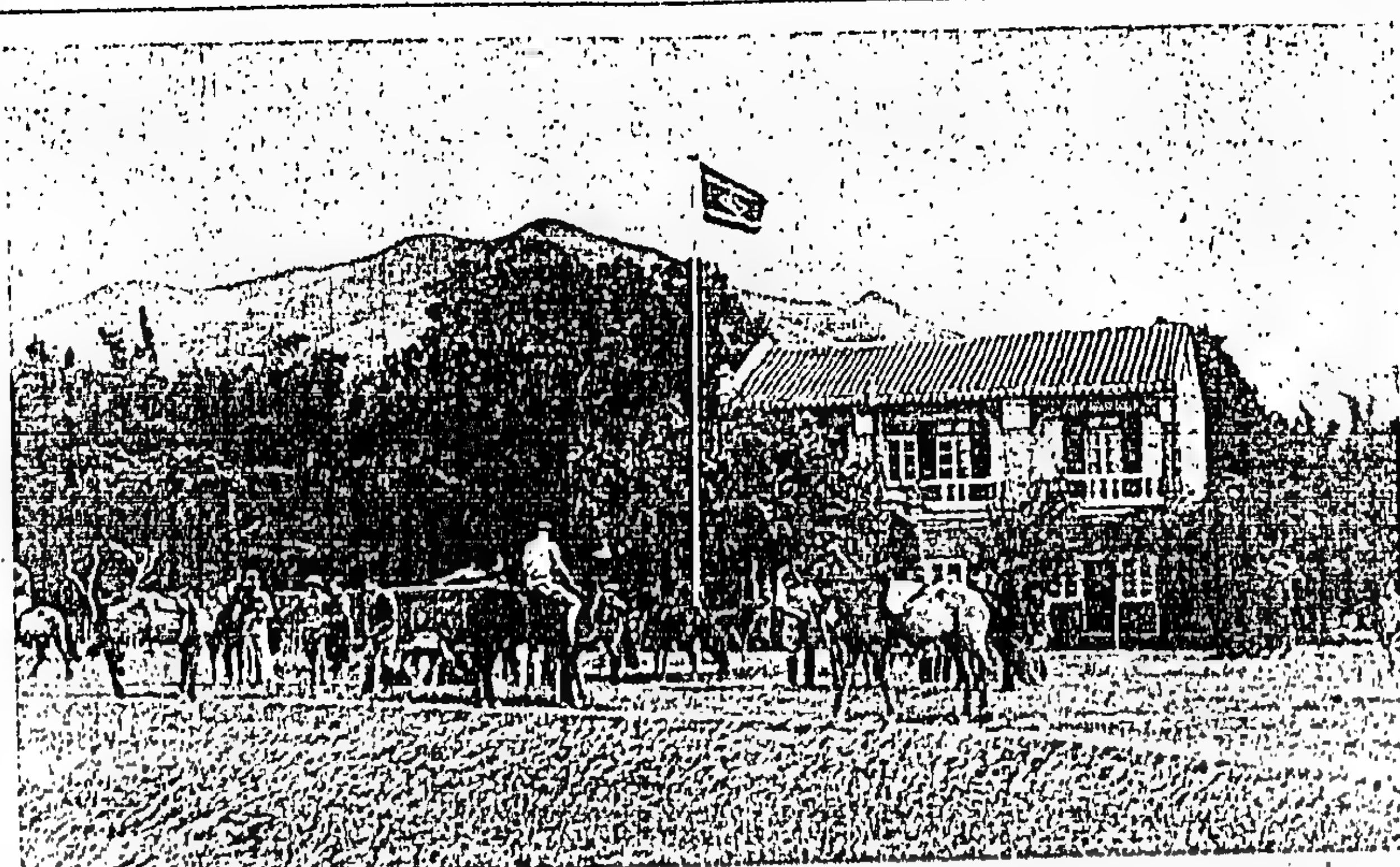
IN THE afternoon on the Police Training School ground, K.I.T.C. defeated Nomads in a Tournament game, 2-0. M. R. Malik was ten minutes late but when he got going he scored both goals and was always a menace to the Nomads' defence. The half-back line with Mohinder Singh, Kishan Singh and Bagh Singh, combined very effectively and made many fine openings for their forwards. Kalwant Singh at right-back made some lively clearances, and C. P. Singh at inside-right showed a distinct promise — with more experience he should develop into a very useful player. It was a fast and keen struggle and the better team won.

NOMADS took the field without the services of S. A. Reed, their centre-forward, who is on the sick list. H. Franco led the attack and H. Gubbay was seen at inside left. In the first twenty minutes Nomads might have opened the scoring but could not finish off their attacks. R. Silva and B. Xavier were either off-side or too slow with their centres. The forwards in general could make little progress due to a fast ground, and their defence on the other hand were hard pressed and kept busy throughout the second half. H. Soares and R. Xavier, the backs, were very much below form, hence the halves were called upon to do more work than expected. R. J. Reed and L. Souza, however, gave a fine display. Apart from the opening stages of the game, the Nomads never looked like scoring.

THE C.B.A. last Sunday commenced their first Tournament fixture with a brilliant 6-0 victory over Recreio. The welcome return of George Fowler to the attack worked wonders, but full credit goes to the defence where Norman Whitley, at centre-half, played a great game. He attacked and defended strongly.

V. Bond, at back, also gave a bright display. Young Teddy Lockhart in goal was brilliant in his anticipation, and on last Sunday's form alone, is worthy of an Intercontinental. There is no doubt the C.B.A. possess a fine team which should end somewhere on top of the table.

RECREIO fielded their best XI with the inclusion of B. Gosano, who



An enjoyable time was spent by members of the Cottage Club and their friends on Sunday, November 28, when a Paper Hunt was held. Picture shows those who took part getting ready for the start. The Club-house can be seen in the background.

Rugby Football

ENGINEERS BEAT CLUB "A"

Sterling Display By Military Forwards

(By "Fly-half")

Cambridge Beaten By Oxford In Rugby

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Five thousand spectators watched Oxford beat Cambridge by 15 points to 3 in the annual inter-Varsity Rugby match, which was played outside London for the first time since 1872.

Owing to the war, the match was unofficial and no Blues were awarded, but play was keen. Cambridge were relentless in their tackling in the early stages, but Oxford's clever and speedy backs gradually asserted their supremacy. At half-time, Oxford led by seven points to nil.

has just arrived from Swatow. The attack did their best but could not make any impression on the strong C.B.A. defence. As I have said before, the Recs need good inside scoring forwards—then and only then are they certain of victory. Play was fast and interesting and the game was by no means one-sided as the score might suggest.

IT was rather unfortunate that a game in the Ladies' Junior League should have been called off last Saturday due to the non-appearance of the umpires.

This might prove an interesting case for the Umpires' Association to investigate. The umpires were not nominated by the Association, but they agreed, I believe, to officiate at the request of the teams concerned, and an explanation by them should be made to the Association. Should they be affiliated to the Association, it is up to the powers-that-be to deal with them accordingly.

LAST Tuesday in a practice game on the Club ground, the Combined Services defeated the Middlesex Regiment, 2-1. Mars (right-back) and Hook (centre-half) were absent, their positions being filled by Gunnar and Austen.

The only two players to attract attention were Partab and Neralin Singh, the Interport left-wing combination. The Services will have to give a better account of themselves if they hope to beat the Civilians next Sunday.

The final selection of the Civilian team will be made following the monthly Council meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association, which takes place at St. Andrew's Church Hall at 6 p.m. to-day.

Final arrangements to be staged next Sunday in aid of the B.W.O.F. will be discussed. The programme starts at 2 p.m. with the Band of the Mainland and Island Ladies will take the field, followed by the Combined Services v. Civilians game.

The public are requested to book their seats early, as there is a great demand for sitting accommodation at the moment. Prices are at \$1 per seat and 50 cents for standing room. It is going to be a treat for hockey enthusiasts, so book early and support the B.W.O.F. I shall comment on the prospects of the teams next Saturday.

On the Club ground yesterday, the Royal Engineers, assisted by 2nd/Lieut. Cuthbertson, defeated a Club "A" XV, which was back-boned by a few Club 1st XV players in Walkden, Bidwell, Needham, Godfrey, Richardson and Salter, by two goals and a try (13 points) to two tries (6 points).

The feature of the game was the grand display by the Engineers' forwards who generally carried on a forward foot rush for considerable distances. Cuthbertson, Brinkley, Pike and Apperly were prominent in these rushes.

Club played Bidwell at scrum-half and young Thomson at stand-off half. The latter was very reliable and passed out well to his thrives; he was also successful in breaking through on his own on one or two occasions. Dwyer and Lavalle were the Club's best three-quarters. Richardson showed initiative in coming into movements from the blind side. Salter, Needham and Heasman were prominent in the Club pack.

Picket was the Engineers' most dangerous wing-three. He was very successful with his touch kicking to relieve pressure. Waite did a lot of hard work amongst the thrives, both in attack and defence.

The Engineers scored tries through Picket, Pike and Cuthbertson. Pike converted the first two.

Needham and Thomson scored unconverted tries for Club. Royal Engineers.—Lt. Otway; Spr. Arlingstall; Spr. Jones; Spr. Martin and Spr. Picket; Cpl. Waite and Spr. Foley; Spr. Apperly; Spr. Pike; Spr. Eouzan; Spr. Brinkley; Spr. Davies; Spr. Sheldrake; Spr. Eowarth and Lt. Cuthbertson.

Club "A".—A. F. Walkden; W. B. Richardson; J. G. Day; R. M. Lavalle and Gratton; J. M. Thomson and H. D. Bidwell; W. Sicker; K. Salter; E. Burford; R. E. Heasman; C. F. Needham; G. B. Godfrey; L. A. Benn and Roscoe.

Kai Tak 3 Middlesex Nil. Kai Tak just got the measure of the Middlesex Regiment by a single try (3 points) to nil.

The Airmen fielded Henderson, the regular Club player, as a newcomer. He played a steady game without being brilliant. Another experiment was the playing of Hynes, a forward, at wing-three. Hynes is no speedster but he played well without shining. Tarry as an inside forward showed more knowledge of the game but still has to learn that he had to wait for it. Bright was a bit selfish in his attempts to cut in and might have done better if he had passed out to Hynes.

At forward, the Airmen were best served by Taylor, Burnett and Gash in the line-out.

Lewis at inside three, scored Kai Tak's try by a clever run.

Y.M.C.A. TEAMS FOR THE WEEK

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will meet the Combined Units on the "Y" ground at 4.45 p.m. to-day. They will be represented by V. Bennett; H. Gordon; L. Pennington; H. Smith; D. McLellan; L. Coombe; A. V. Other; C. Gemmell; H. Bartlett; V. Waldron and R. Baldwin. Umpire, W. Colledge.

On Saturday, the "Y" 1st XI will play the Radio Sports Club on their own ground at 4.15 p.m. The following have been chosen to represent the "Y": V. Bennett; D. Taylor; E.

Tennis

First Round Of Women's Doubles

In the first round of the Women's Doubles championship played at the U.S.R.C. yesterday, Mrs. O. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury defeated Mrs. F. C. Tracey and Mrs. Webb 8-6, 6-4. Some very good tennis was witnessed, rallies being long and exciting. The match later developed into a baseline duel in which steadiness and consistency eventually triumphed.

Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury took some time to get settled down and played remarkably well after being 5-3 down in the first set to win at 8-6.

Mrs. Bradbury was the steadiest of the four and took full advantage of her remarkable lobbing. She was ably supported by Mrs. Burnett, whose chief weapon was the backhand. Mrs. Webb was the only player to show the net occasionally for a full-blooded volley drive, while her powerful forehand reaped a harvest of points. Mrs. Tracey served inconsistently throughout and was shaky at mid-court, though she improved somewhat as the game progressed.

Badminton

KOWLOON TONG SURPRISE ST. ANDREW'S

Three matches in the "B" division were played last night. Kowloon Tong caused a surprise by beating St. Andrew's 8-3. St. Teresa's lost to King's College by a similar margin, and St. John's were victorious over Kowloon C.C. also by 8-3. Scores: K.C.C. v. ST. JOHN'S.

P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.) beat F. H. Kwok and R. K. Heaven 23-21; beat D. Kwok and R. Maynard 21-13; beat P. Wilson and N. L. Smith 21-18.

Kwan and Merritt (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Heaven 6-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 8-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 12-21.

E. Curtis and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.) lost to Kwok and Heaven 2-21; lost to Kwok and Maynard 6-21; lost to Wilson and Smith 2-21.

KOWLOON TONG V. ST. ANDREW'S.

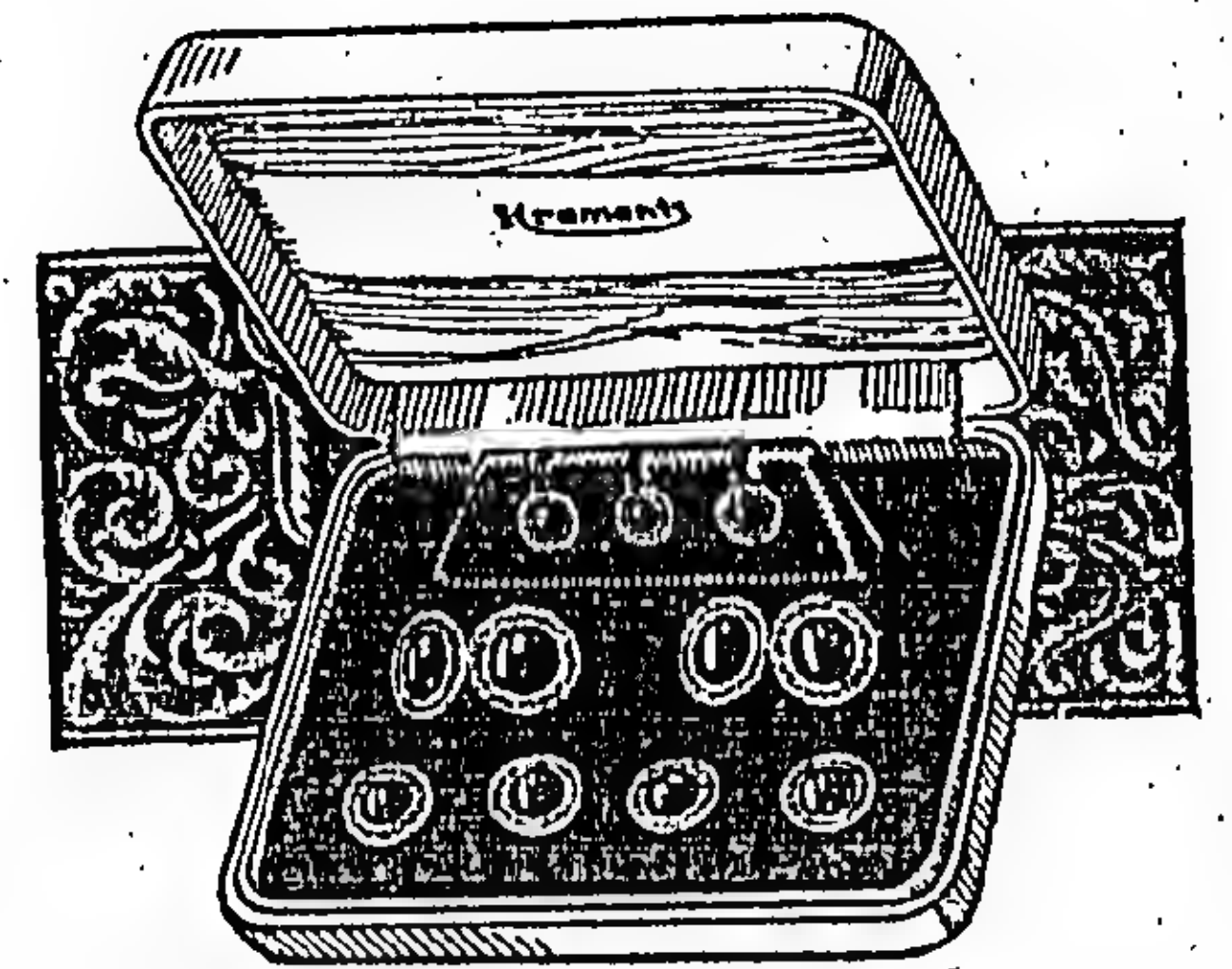
A. E. H. Castro and Lee Kam-ming (Kowloon Tong) lost to E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (K.C.C.) 8-21; lost to W. Gillies and A. E. T. Guest 6-21; lost to A. F. Bliss and A. E. Brown 14-21. R. E. Lee and F. F. Ko (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 21-13; beat Gillies and Guest 21-14; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10.

N. A. E. Mackay and P. B. C. Fletcher (Kowloon Tong) beat Fincher and Kew 24-22; beat Gillies and Guest 21-7; beat Bliss and Brown 21-10.

Yurleff; J. Kempton; R. Bates; A. Austen; D. Smith; C. Gemmell; E. Fowler; L. Coombe and C. Waldron. On the U.S.R.C. ground at 4.15 p.m. on the same day, the "Y" 2nd XI will play the Royal Signals. "Y" players chosen are: H. Millington; A. Killeen; P. Grant; H. Smith; C. Huber; K. Brodie; L. Macey; R. Dormer; J. Greenberg; R. Banks and C. Bevan. CABARET SIFFER DANCE.

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will hold its first cabaret supper dance at the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, tomorrow. Dancing is from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Music is by the Peninsula Hotel orchestra and "Yvonne" under the direction of Art Carmichael. Tickets are \$3.50 (double) and \$2 (single) and can be purchased from members or at the desk.

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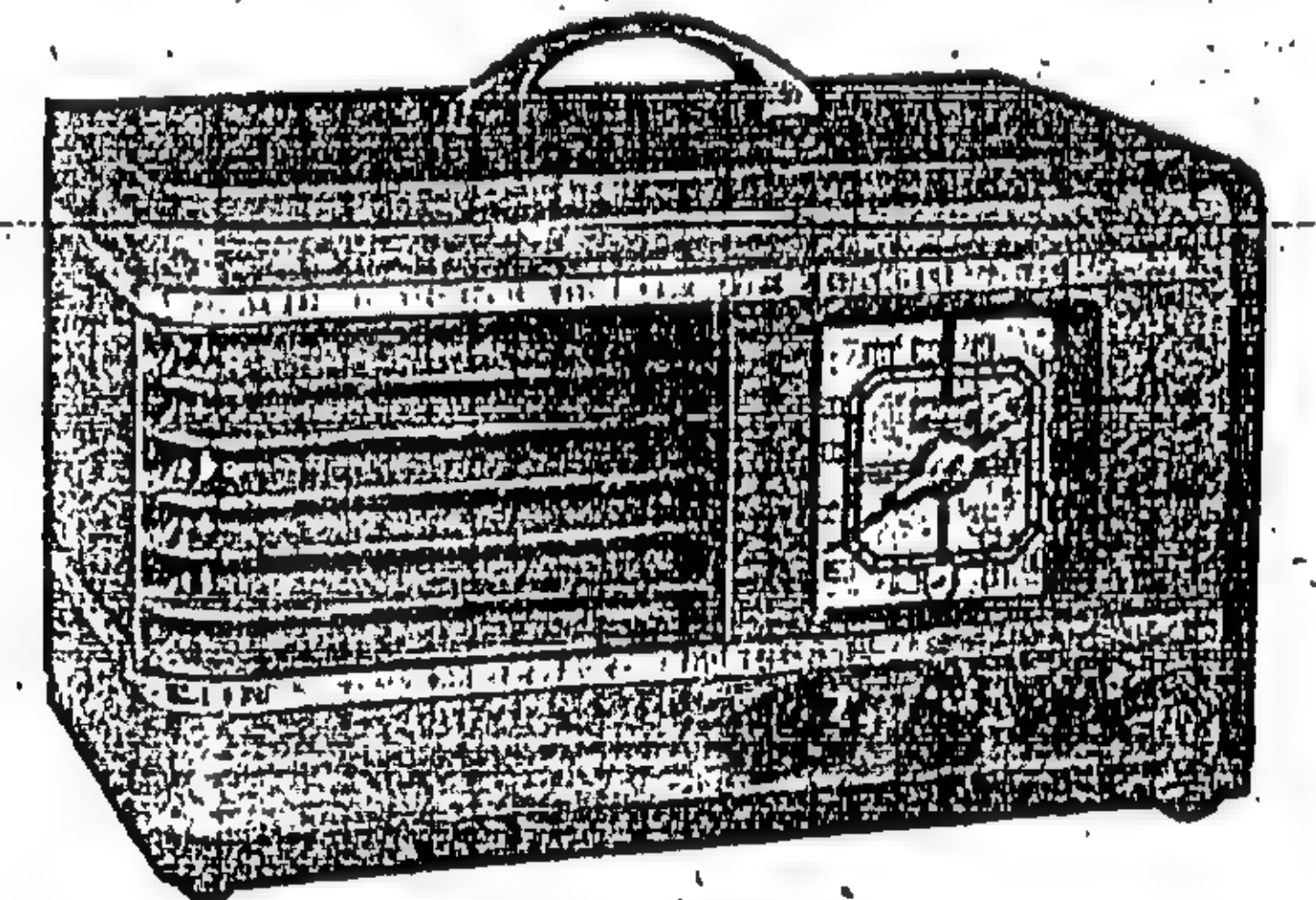
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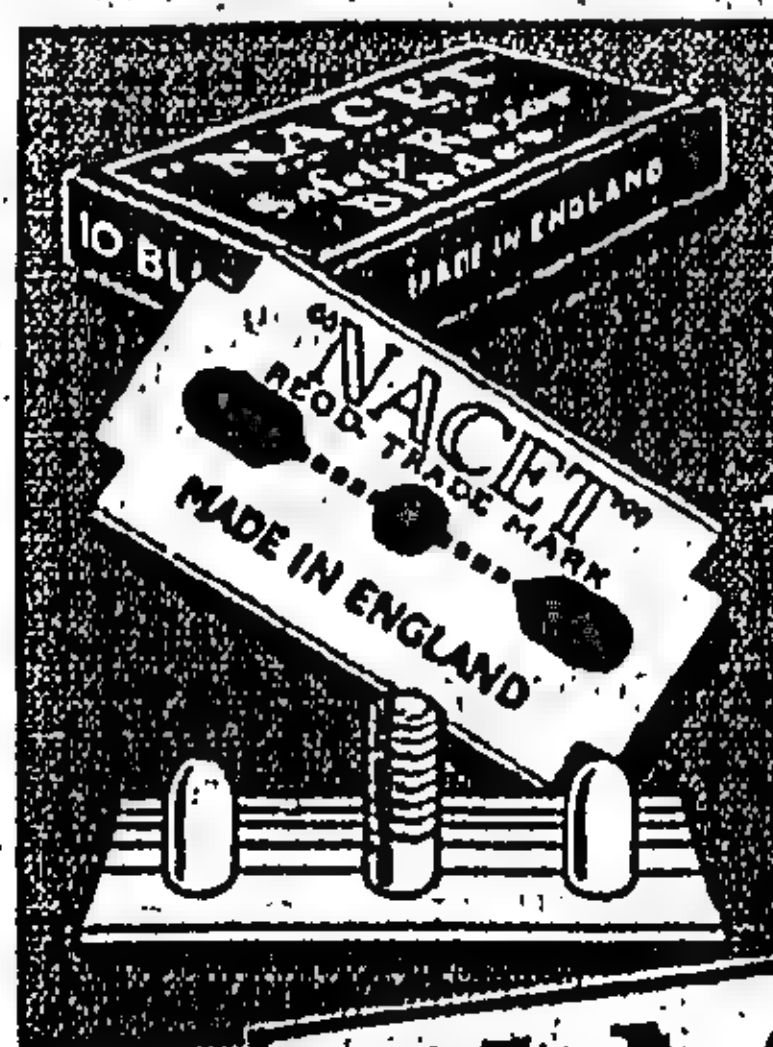
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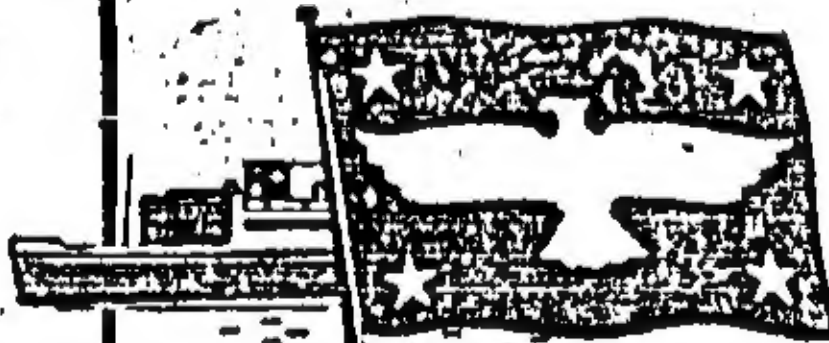
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Saturday, Dec. 9
Salgon 10:30 a.m.
Shanghai 10:30 a.m.
Canton 10:30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways"
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December.
G. P. O. and K. P. O.

Reg. Dec. 9, 5 p.m.
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Sunday, Dec. 10

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Monday, Dec. 11
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Tuesday, Dec. 12
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HITLER'S DILEMMA UNDER PRESSURE

(Continued from Page 4.)

potent factor which compels Hitler
to seek by all means to stop the war.
There are others, both external and
internal.

UNDER the Italo-German military
alliance of last March Italy
acquired the right to be consulted
by Germany on future operations to
be undertaken by the Axis. Though
late in the day, she managed to as-
sert this right in July.

Wearied and exhausted by two
campaigns within the past four
years, Italy had neither the heart
nor the means for embarking on
fresh adventures. Nor could she
identify herself with a campaign
against a friendly country, pre-
dominantly Catholic, in pursuit of
purely German objectives. Hitler
brushed aside all Italian objections,
demanding support for the Axis.
His call was disregarded. Again,
recently he called for a demonstra-
tion of Axis solidarity by the propo-
sal, or public support, of "a peace
plan," and was, it is said, politely
but firmly informed that there could
be no such demonstration.

The anti-Communist Axis had
been shattered by its own chief
architect.
Even Gen. Franco's known ad-
miration for Germany was profound-
ly shaken by the new alignment of
Nazi policy. Since Portugal is pur-
suing a policy of neutrality in com-
plete agreement with her ally, Ger-
many can look for no further help
from the Peninsula.

On her frontiers which march
with neutral States Germany is con-
fronted by considerable armies, all
intent on defending their neutrality.
Where, then, is the impressive vic-
tory to be won?

So far Hitler has failed to secure
those additional sources of wood
and wheat, oil and iron which he so
urgently needs. In these circum-
stances it is understandable that the
Scandinavian countries should feel
that the predatory German eye has
been turned upon them; may even
have wondered whether Germany
was not seeking to pick a quarrel
with them. From the development
of events in Scandinavia it should be
possible to judge more accurately
how far there exists between Berlin
and Moscow any agreement to work
in concert for exploitation of neu-
tral States. But here again Hitler
must have grave doubts when he
contemplates the role of his new
partner.

Finally he must take into account
the state of affairs on the home
front. The German people for
several years have been over-
worked, under-paid and under-fed.
Repression by the Gestapo has in-
duced a marked lethargy. Thou-
sands languish in concentration
camps. Persecution for religious
belief has divided the country
into two camps. To these dissi-
dent elements within the frontiers of
the Reich proper Hitler has now added
great blocks of population in Aus-
tria, Czechoslovakia and Poland.

Considerable armies, both military
and police, must be substituted for
the German military striking force
to prevent insurrection in many of
these areas.
Hitler boasts that he confronts the
world with 82,000,000 Germans.
When the Central Powers went to
war in 1914 their populations ex-
ceeded 90,000,000. Behind them
was a record of plenty and prosperi-
ty. Their armies were trained from
top to bottom. Their equipment
was of the finest material. Yet they
were defeated.

ON Jan. 30 last Hitler told the
Reichstag that Germany must
export or die. How are these ex-
ports to be maintained during war,
and where are the countries ready
to accept German manufactured
goods whose quality, even before
war broke out, had so deteriorated
as to be losing Germany her mar-
kets all over the world?

How is she now to replace the
worn-out capital equipment in the
factories from which these inferior
products were being turned out?
The problem becomes increasingly
serious for her.

All expert opinion, both military
and economic, in Germany has long
been agreed that the Germany of
to-day could not face a long war.
Can she win a short one? That
must be the first burning question
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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-
cession.

12.30 The Don Cossacks Choir.
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(Russian Folk Song arr. Jaroff);
Save, O Lord, Thy People (Tschesno-
koff); Safeguard, O Lord (Tschesno-
koff). Unaccompanied. Conducted
by Sergio Jaroff.

12.45 Rhythmic—Korsakov—Russian
Easter Festival—Overture.
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra
conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

1 Local Time Signal and Weather
Report.

1.03 Billy Mayerl—"Four Aces"
Suite.

Rale Da Costa at the Piano.
1.45 Terence Casey at the Organ.
1.50 Reuter and Rugby Press,
Weather Forecast and Announce-
ments.

1.45 Duke Ellington and His
Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.
2.45 Studio—Children's Hour.
3.45 Closing Local Stock Quota-
tions.

6.47 Peggy Wood (Soprano) in
Songs from Noel Coward's "Bitter
Sweet."

7.11 See You Again; Dear Little
Cate.... Peggy Wood and George
Melinau with Orchestra; Ziguer....
Peggy Wood with Piano.

7.30 Gerry Moore (Piano) and
Gerald and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.
8 Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.

8.03 Brahms—Double Concerto in
A Minor, Op. 102.
Jacques Thibaud (Violin), Pablo
Casals (Cello) and The Pablo Casals
Orchestra, Barcelona, conducted by
Alfred Cortot.

8.35 Some Brahms' Songs.
Little Sandman; In Silent Night....
Cortot; Harmonists with Piano;
Machtinger; Standchen.... Elena Ger-
hardt (Mezzo-Soprano) with Piano.

8.45 Studio—Talk "East of Vienna."
9.05 Piano Solos by Paderewski.
Minuet in G Major, Op. 15, No. 1
(Paderewski); Mazurka in D Major,
Op. 33, No. 2 (Chopin); Mazurka in
A Flat Major, Op. 50, No. 2 (Chopin).

9.15 London Relay—News Sum-
mary.

9.30 Gerhwin—Cuban Overture.
Paul Whiteman and His Concert
Orchestra.

9.44 Songs by Bing Crosby.
The Valley of the Ganges (film "Paris
Honeycomb"); I Have Eyes (film
"Paris Honeycomb"); Mexican Rose
(Stone-Tenney).

9.54 Short Programme by Eddie
Peabody (Instrumentalist).

10.05 Some Dance "Hits" of the
Moment.

11 London Relay—"Background in
News."

11.15 Close Down.

RAIL STOCKS ADVANCE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—On
the Stock Exchange to-day, a sharp
advance on the prices of railway
stocks was the chief feature of to-
day's quiet markets.

Most groups were initially easy but
recovered towards the close of trad-
ing.

Of the commodities, rubber eased
owing to increased offerings together
with the falling-off of American de-
mand.

Cotton was active following a re-
duction of the United States export
subsidy.

Values advanced on general and
speculative buying and trade calling.
Wall Street was firm.

she fall mid-way between the two,
with National Socialism always ap-
proximating more closely to Na-
tional Bolshevism, who will be the
ultimate rulers of a disintegrating
Germany? Not Hitler.

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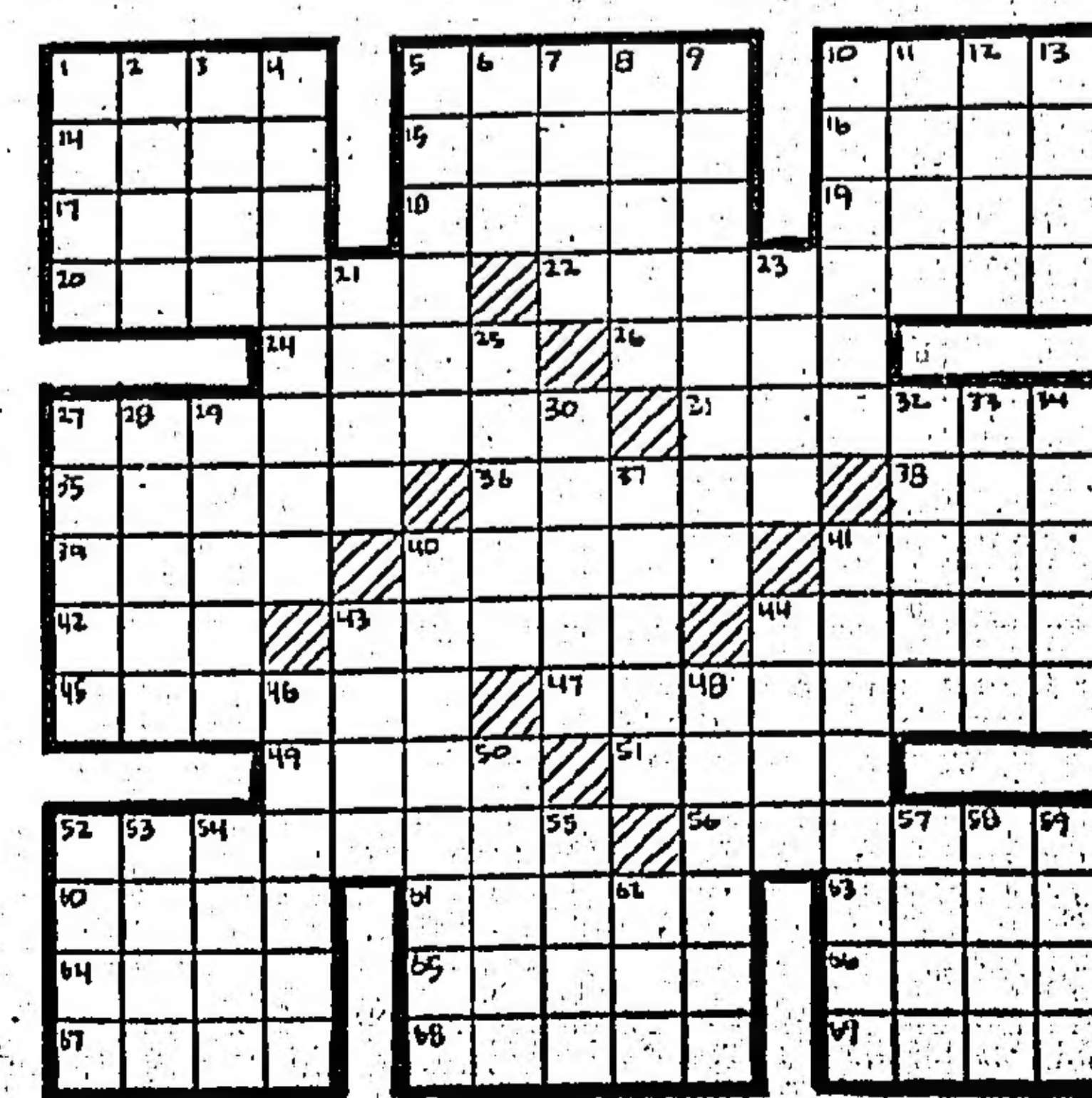
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By LARS MORRIS

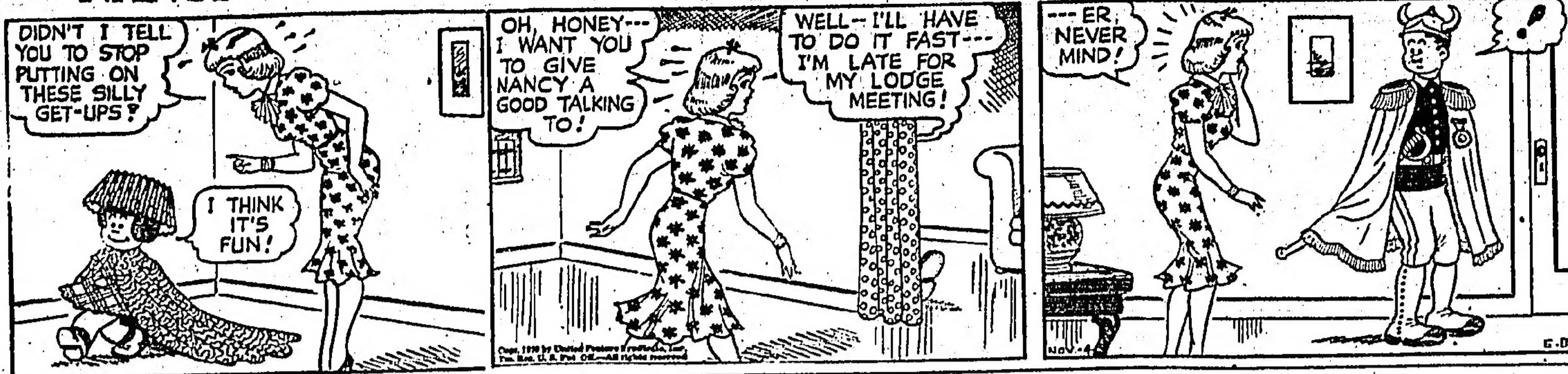
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Germany Warns Neutrals, Must Fight—

STRANGULATION OF NAZI TRADE

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The growing effect of the Allied economic measures on German trade, especially on exports, is emphasised in a warning to neutral countries given by Berlin to-day.

In what was called an "authoritative statement to the foreign press," neutral countries are told that they can no longer make mere "paper" protests to the Allies.

They must take active measures against the seizure of German exports.

Admits Trade Strangulation

Another aspect of the difficulties is given in an article over the signature of one of the Reich's leading economic experts in the *Marshall Goring's* paper, "Four Year Plan."

The article admits the strangulation of German trade by the British Contraband Control.

As in 1914-18, England's power on the seas has brought Germany's overseas trade to a standstill. German ships are laid in a hundred harbours, and some have already been confiscated.

Vast quantities of goods are stored up in German warehouses, the article continues, and German importers cannot either load or store goods which may arrive.

Position Is Grave

The position is grave, the writer declares, and he asks the Government for new capital and for the exporters to be allowed to dismiss employees.

"The authorities must provide some other kind of business," the writer concludes.

The article may reflect the disagreement between Marshal Goring and the Reichsbank, which has refused to subsidise Germany's export trade.

Berlin Astonished

BERLIN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—An official inspired statement issued to-day states:

"Now that English and French warships are ordered to enforce the confiscation of German exports, political circles believe that they may expect the government behind neutral shipping to be no longer content with 'paper protests' but to organise self-help to protect their trade."

Astonishment is expressed that Holland does not at present arm merchantment to organise their own convoys.

TIENTSIN ISSUE

Sticks To Principles

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In reply to Mr. Noel Baker in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that during the recent conversations between Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, and the Japanese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, an informal exchange of views took place on the issues arising out of the position in Tientsin and other outstanding questions.

Government Stands Pat. Mr. Butler asked whether Mr. Baker could say whether the question of the silver reserves in Tientsin was raised and whether the Government had adhered to the principles which they had previously announced.

Mr. Butler replied: "The question of the silver reserves arose when various questions arising out of the position in Tientsin were discussed. I can assure him that His Majesty's Government has adhered to the principles which they have previously enunciated."

Beating The U-Boat

HERE, in diagram, is the story of the U-boat war on British shipping, told by Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons yesterday.

British losses in the first week of the war—



Americans In Trouble

Incidents In Shanghai And Hankow

SHANGHAI, Dec. 7 (Reuter).—An incident occurred on the Shanghai waterfront this morning when a member of the Japanese River Police, believed to be a Formosan, slapped Mr. W. N. Russell, an American attached to the United States Purchasing Office.

Mr. Russell was over-seeing a transshipment of goods to the U.S.S. Luzon, which is going up river to-morrow.

The River policeman attempted to interfere with the Chinese coolies loading the goods. Mr. Russell intervened.

The River policeman then slapped Mr. Russell, who grappled with him. Two U.S. Marines, who were guarding the cargo, intervened, and Japanese gendarmes shortly arrived on the scene, as also did the S.M. Police.

The matter was temporarily settled and the cargo was delivered to the U.S.S. Luzon.

Hankow Incident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TOKYO, Dec. 7 (Domel).—On the basis of official information, the spokesman of the Foreign Office states that a non-commissioned officer of the American Navy named Baker, came into trouble with a Japanese sentry in Hankow on July 22 when he not only refused to observe traffic regulations but attempted to strike the sentry.

The matter was taken up by the Japanese authorities in Hankow, according to the spokesman, who said that Baker on November 19, when under the influence of alcohol, struck a Chinese rickshaman and damaged his ricksha. Baker was arrested by the Japanese authorities but was subsequently released on payment of damages to the Chinese rickshaman.

Opposition Motion Is Defeated LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Opposition amendment in the reply to the Royal Address was defeated in the House to-day by 303 to 125.

Australian Air Minister's Flight BRISBANE, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The Australian Air Minister has left for England in a specially-chartered flying boat. He has recently been in Canada.

Sympathy For The Finns

Felicitations On Anniversary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—In the course of a cable to President Kyosti Kallio on the occasion of the 22nd Anniversary of Finnish independence, President Roosevelt declares:

"It is my earnest hope that these tragic days may not be long in giving way to a happier era and permit the Finnish people to continue untroubled, the steady development of their free political and social institutions which have aroused the admiration of the American people."

Officials here state that the message goes beyond the customary felicitations the President customarily cables to the head of States on the occasion of anniversaries.

Positions Changed

LONDON, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—To-day is the 22nd Anniversary of the Finnish Declaration of Independence, and it has found the Finns once again fighting the Bolsheviks—with one difference.

When they fought 25 years ago, they were helped by Germany and 30,000 German soldiers lost their lives fighting for Finland.

To-day Germans are on the other side. It is the price Hitler paid for Russian friendship.

Danish Sympathy

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—The latest demonstration of sympathy for Finland came in the Danish Parliament to-day.

When the Danish Communist leader rose to speak, members of all other parties, both right and left, got up and walked out, leaving him to address two men—his fellow Communists.

When the session resumed, a member asked whether it was not high time that Denmark broke off relations with Russia.

Anti-Soviet Demonstrations. ROME, Dec. 6 (Reuter).—Italian students held another anti-Soviet demonstration to-day.

Italian newspapers gave prominence to Lord Halifax's statement in the House of Lords in which he emphasised the Nazis' responsibility for the Soviet aggression on Finland.

Helsingfors Celebrates. SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6 (UP).—The capital quietly celebrated the anniversary of independence.

The Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, gave a reception for President Kallio and the foreign diplomats.

M. Kallio said that the greatest accomplishment in 21 years of independence was the achievement of national unity.

The morale of the Finns is high and confidence is increasing.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Saint in London" (Queen's): My story yarn produced in London and based on a story by Leslie Charteris. At first the law and its representatives seem to be in a dire predicament, but it later appears that the Saint is working with Scotland Yard and the Government against a gang of foreign rascals. Starring George Sanders and Sally Gray.

"Wife, Husband and Friend" (Majestic): Gay and unusual story of a couple of would-be songbirds, the "Wife" and "Husband," who go on and on and on through all sorts of romantic entanglements. With Loretta Young, Warner Baxter, Dinnie Harmon, Cesar Romero and George Barler.

"The Warning" (Queen's and Alhambra): This is a short National Service documentary film, which runs for 38 minutes. It surveys the dangers that menace Britain from an air attack and how they may be met by organised preparedness of civilians to back up the might of armed forces. A call to service is given at the conclusion of the film by Sir John Anderson, Minister for Civil Defence.

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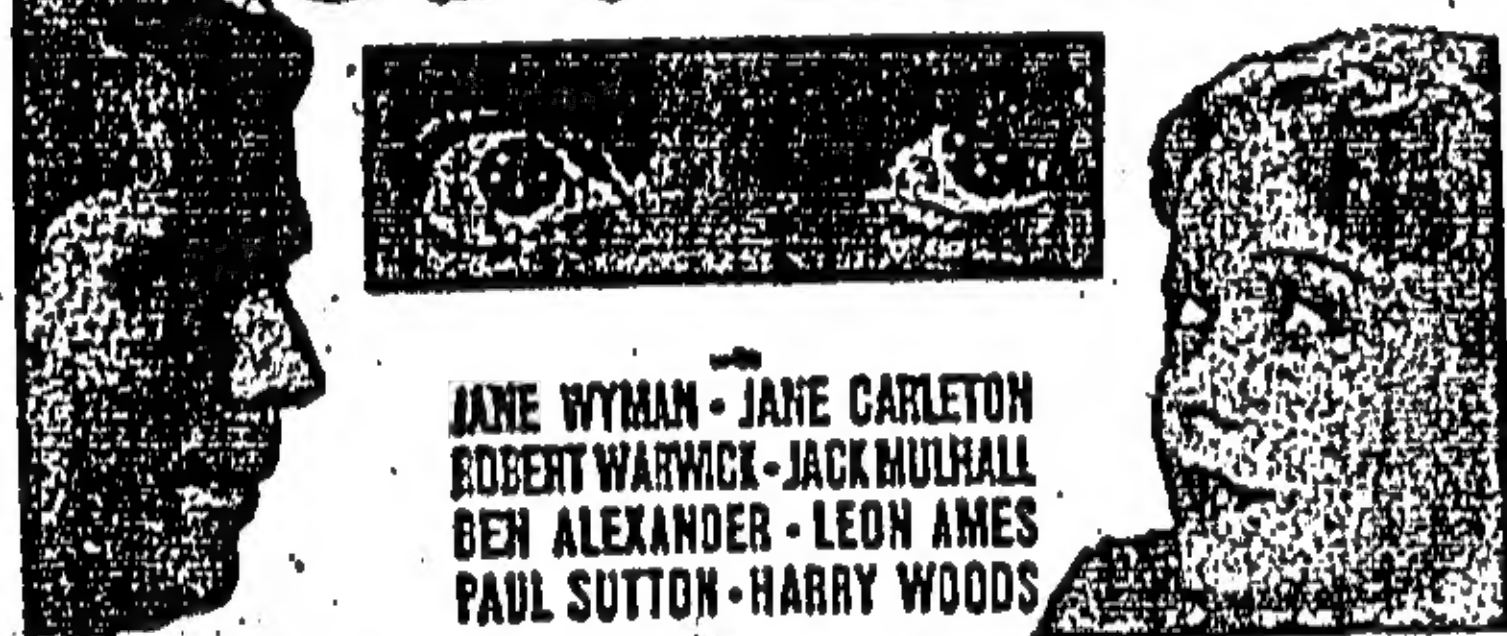
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2. Captured Aviators in a British Hospital.
3. President of Finland, Kings of Denmark, Norway and Sweden joining for a conference on mutual war aid.
4. General Gamelin and General Viscount Gort inspect the Front.
5. The actual attacks on the Japanese invaders by Chinese Guerrillas.
6. China's Amazon Army, etc., etc.

* TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY *

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LATE NEWS

GOVERNOR'S TRIBUTE

During the meeting of Legislative Council this afternoon, His Excellency the Governor paid tribute to two gentlemen who recently retired from the Colony.

His Excellency said:
Hon. Members, We meet to-day without two gentlemen to whom this Council owes a deep debt of gratitude for their many services.

Mr. Sydney Cairne, the late Financial Secretary, has been released by this Government in response to a very urgent request from the Secretary of State for him to return to take charge of the Economic Department of the Colonial Office. That is a post of very great importance to the Empire and, greatly reluctant though I was that Hongkong should lose Mr. Cairne's invaluable assistance, I realized that Imperial needs must take precedence over Colonial interests. I therefore replied according to the Secretary of State's wish. Mr. Cairne's service here extended over less than two and a half years; but in that short space of time he won a high respect and warm affection not only among members of this Council and his official colleagues but also within a very widely diversified circle. On all who came into contact with him, his sincerity, his humanity and his friendliness acted as a charm which won him quickly a high esteem; those who were more fortunate in that they worked with him very quickly recognized that his objective outlook, his intellectual ability and his real knowledge of his subject, placed him in the first rank of public servants. As the first to hold the new post of Financial Secretary in this Colony, Mr. Cairne broke much new ground and for that reason also his work will have a lasting value here. The many services which Mrs. Cairne and he, in his private capacity, rendered to the poorest and most unfortunate people in this town were of a creative character the value of which time will prove; their inspiration and practicality will be sorely missed by those concerned with social welfare.

A Wealthy Son

Mr. Chau Tsun-Nin, whose regretted retirement in accordance with constitutional practice has just taken place, proved himself during the last eight years a worthy son of the late Mr. Chau Shiu Kee, who contributed most valuably to this Council's activities. Mr. Chau Tsun-Nin has in one way or another been serving the community since the year 1921 and throughout that long period he has been inspired by a high and steady sense of his duty towards his fellow men and an ardent determination to throw his weight upon the side of the true interests of the people of this Colony. I feel sure that his colleagues on this Council have often been impressed, as I have been impressed, by the shrewdness and the broadmindedness of the advice given by him in this Chamber, as well as by the dignity with which he has borne the role of Senior Chinese Member during these last years. In tendering appreciative thanks to Mr. Chau for his services I express the wish, which I know will be widely shared, that he has many years of public service still before him.

Both the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo associated themselves with His Excellency's remarks.

Mannerheim Line Broken, Reds Claim

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Dec. 6 (Domel).—A Soviet military communiqué says that the Soviet troops penetrated the Finnish line from eastern Karelia, attacked with the aid of artillery, the Finnish "Manner Line" along the Vuokari Canal and succeeded in breaking through the fortifications. The Soviet forces are continuing their advance north.

LONDON, PARIS IMPRESSED

LONDON, Dec. 7 (Reuters).—The Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" states that Britain and France are impressed by German reports that British interests will be attacked by Russia in all parts of the world, notably in Asia.

Since Russia is now openly threatening the Balkans, it is interesting to learn that Italo-Turkish relations have markedly improved during the past few days.

Japanese Denounce Communism

TOKYO, Dec. 7 (Domel).—Influential representatives of political, military, and various other circles throughout the country held a mass meeting at the Hibya Public Hall this afternoon to denounce Communism. Prince Sanetaka Ichijo took the chair and Japanese, Chinese and Russian delegates delivered speeches. A manifesto urging the necessity of eradicating Communism which is the principal distractor of world peace and the public enemy of mankind, was adopted.

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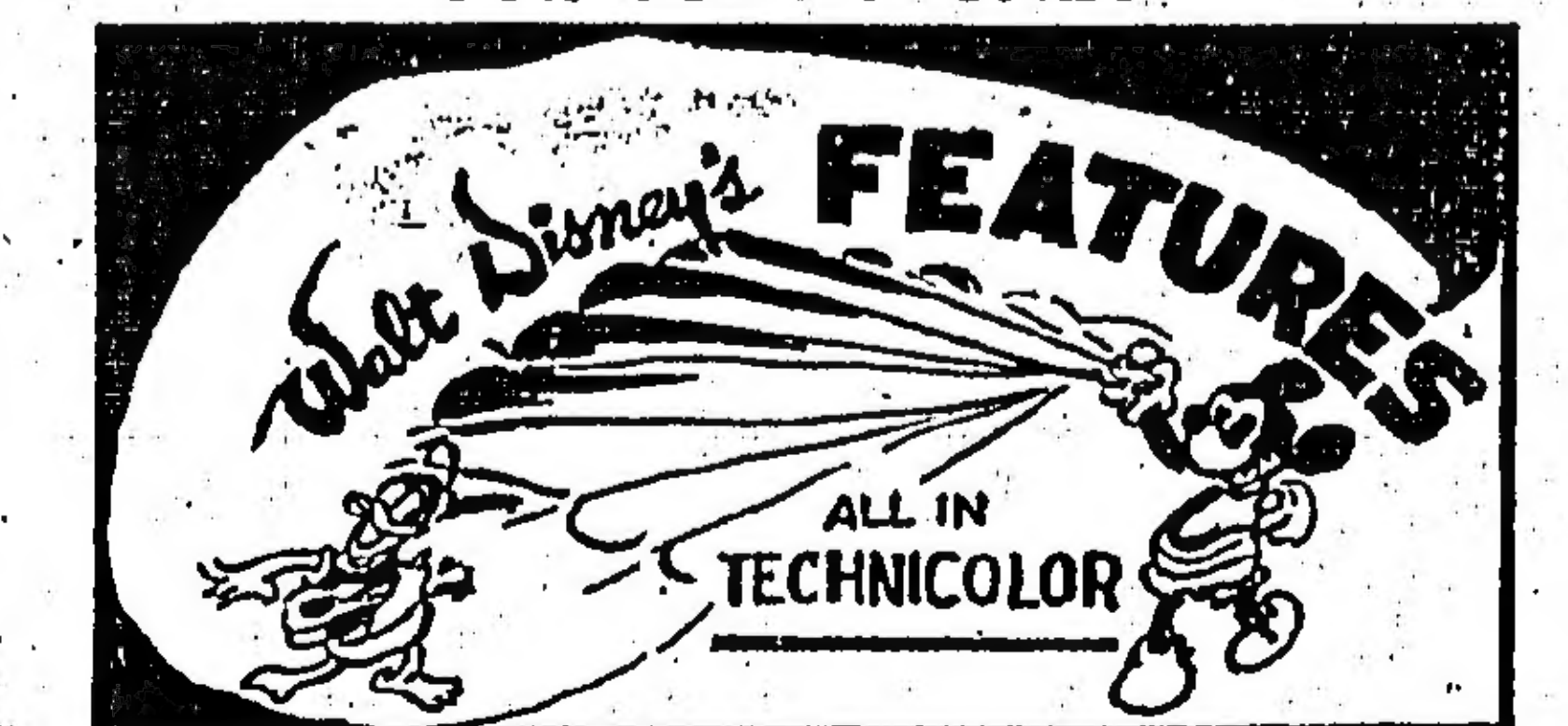
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